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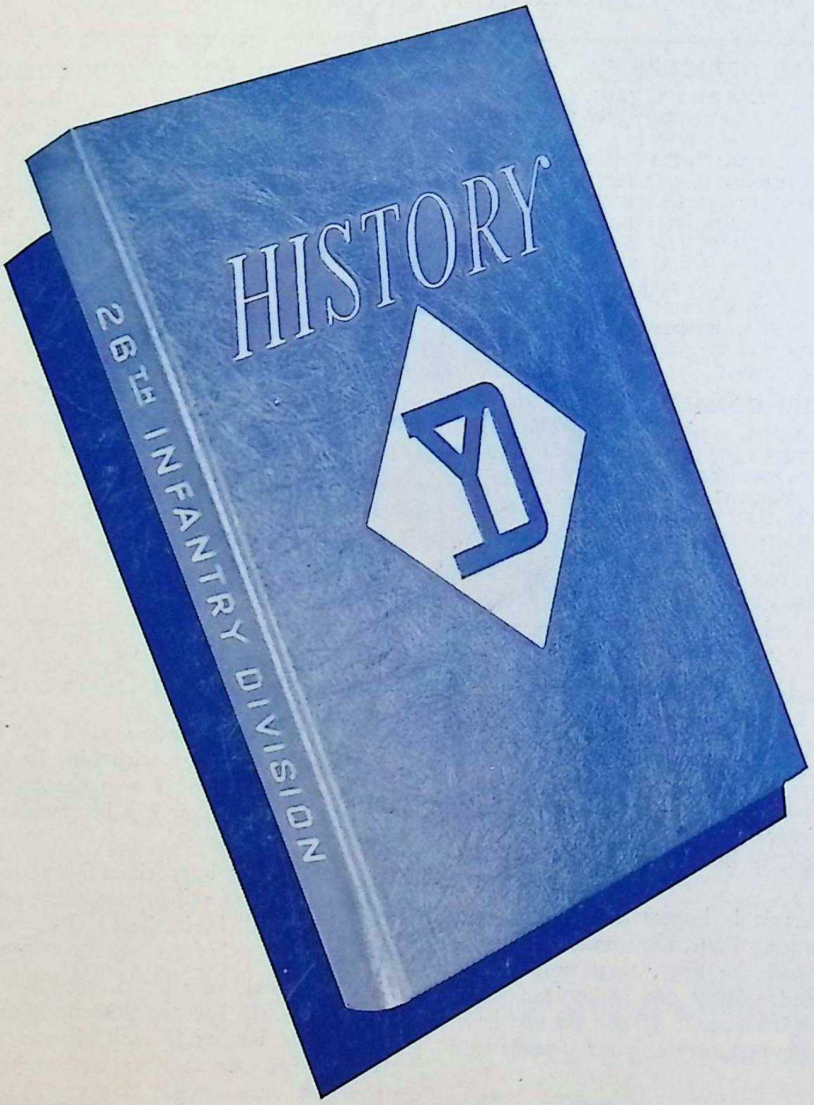

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INFORMATION

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NATIONAL COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Dear Comrades:

We are nearing one of the largest events of the year, the Convention in Manchester. By now, you have probably received a copy of the program which is really something and they promise as good, if not better than the Convention in '41.

Let me say again that it is important that you get your registrations in at once. First, they need the money with which to operate and the next, they must know how many plan to attend. Why not make it a must now and send in your registrations? If you do not have them, contact your chapter secretary or your Commander for the forms.

For the members at large and chapters outside of New England, why not make it a trip and spend a little time seeing the rest of New England. I am sure you will find it worth while.

In March I had the privilege and pleasure of presenting a Charter to the Major Carol Swan Chapter in Newmarket, N. H. This is the first time in years that I have had the pleasure of attending a meeting where we had more 101st. Engineers than all the others put together. Carol was a very dear friend of mine and before he was made an officer in the old First Corps Cadets, was a member of B. Company. I also had the pleasure to serve for three months with him in 1916 when he was a 2nd. Lieutenant and I was the buck private. May I again offer the Chapter my best wishes for a happy and successful year.

This is a very busy time for your Commander with all the installations and parties going on but I will do my best to accept all invitations if I do not have a previous commitment.

With the help of all concerned we have increased our total membership for the year by about 10%. We can still go a lot farther if each chapter scratches around a little more for new members and make it a point to sign up the new ones we got this year. Our next National Commander is going to have a job on his hands, so let's give him all the help we can. In closing let me ask for just three things:

Keep building up membership.

Send in your reservations for the Convention.

Be sure to get one of the new Histories. This is really something.

James F. B. Meikle,
National Commander.

CONVENTION NEWS

Manchester, N. H. Chapter was asked by your National Commander, Jim Meikle to hold your National Convention in Manchester, N. H., this year. The Chapter has agreed to hold the Convention in Manchester, N. H., on June 9-10-11-12, 1955.

A loyal group of Chapter Members headed by our Honorary Member, Ed McShane and Dr. Chester Brown have been at work formulating plans for your enjoyment and benefit. They are doing a grand job. The general plans are as follows:

JUNE 9th—Pre-convention show — entertainment with fireworks. Thursday at 9 p.m.

JUNE 10th—Friday — a full day. Starting at 9 a.m., meeting, visit to Veterans' Hospital, etc., to the close of Y.D. Ball in the evening.

JUNE 11th—Another full day — Starting off with a meeting, election of officers, parade and elaborate banquet in the evening followed by regimental reunions.

JUNE 12th—Memorial Services at an hour that all can attend and still give each a chance to attend services of their choice. The afternoon will be free to visit points of interest. All above covered by registration.

Your full cooperation and support is owed that committee so it is your duty to mail in your advance registration of $3.50 men, $2.50 women.

That is important — in fact very important for two reasons:

1st—To plan correctly, the committee must know whether to plan for 1,500 or 2,500 or just how many.

2nd — The committee has to pay its bills before the convention.

Some of you fellows may say, "Why should I attend?" To old timers, don't admit your age . . . To the young men of World War II, come and get acquainted. Just make up your mind that you will again meet with your "Buddies" for a grand time. They all want to see you and I am sure Manchester wants to see the stalwart sons of Y.D.

Make your plans to be in Manchester THURSDAY, JUNE 9th. Take in the Mammoth Show. Have a lot of pleasure getting together with your friends. Then you will all be ready for the busy day Friday and the rest of the convention.

Manchester does not have night clubs so here is my advise — Visit the State Liquor Store if you so desire, prepare yourselves, then you will find that friendly feeling of visiting around with your friends. All hotels, clubs, etc., are centrally located so it will be one happy family.

This year, we are joining with the 103rd Veterans Association who will hold their reunion in Manchester at the same time. They expect to have 400 to 500, 103rd men alone so — Come One — Come All. You fellows of the other Inf. Regs., Artillery, Engineers, Medics, Ammunition, Supply, etc. don't let them out do you . . . Get your gang ready for a grand reunion.

Yes, there will be very important business items on the agenda at the business meetings — Your voice is needed.

Let's all turn out and make this a great big affair. It will be good for you, Good for Y.D.V.A., and appreciated by the City of Manchester. Everyone from all over the country will be here so don't disappoint them.

Sure, this all includes the auxiliary and the ladies.

Don't delay . . . . Send in your advance registration TODAY.

Proposed Amendments

Dear Comrade Commander:

Enclosed herewith are the changes additions and amendments to the By-laws of the Association and are recommended for adoption: the change of Article Eleven, Section Six having the endorsement of the National Executive Committee at its meeting in Worcester March 20, 1955.

No. 1—The following section to be added to Article Five, Section Six: The Chapter awarded the convention must sign a contract with the National YD Veterans Association, to pay to the National Association, through the Convention Committee or Convention Corporation Fifty (50) of each and every Registration Fee received from the Convention. This total amount to be paid to the National Treasurer of the Convention on the last day.

No. 2—Article Five, Section Seven: The National Commander shall appoint two Members of the Association, who are NOT Members of the Convention Committee or Convention Corporation, to assist the Registration Committee.

Amendment No. 3 —

Amendment: Article Eleven, Section Five to read Section Five: No Officer of the Association shall receive remuneration for His services as such, except the National Secretary and the National Treasurer, who shall receive such salary as the National Executive Committee may determine, except that travel expenses of the National Commander, National Secretary and the National Treasurer, incurred in performances of their duties, may be approved by the vote of the National Executive Committee.

The above changes amendments and additions are hereby submitted by the By-law Committee as of April 1st, 1955.

THOMAS F. CROKAN, Chrm.
Springfield Chapter.
HOMER W. POIRIER,
Pawtucket Chapter.
RENE FOUNTAINE,
Worcester Chapter.
WALTER B. VICKORY,
Providence Chapter.
PETER J. BOURGET,
Providence Chapter.

Amendment No. 3 approved and recommended by the National Executive Committee at Worcester, Mass., March 20, 1955.

Yankee Division Veterans Association National Executive Committee

New York, Feb. 18, 1955

The last regular meeting of the National Executive Committee of the YD Veterans Association was held at Rosoff's Restaurant, 43rd St., New York City.

The meeting was called to order by National Commander Meikle at 4:00 p.m. with about 25 members present.

National Treasurer Pacifici read the minutes of the previous meeting in the absence of the National Secretary who is a patient in the hospital at this time. Minutes accepted.

National Treasurer Pacifici read a very thorough detailed report of the finances of the Association. Report of Treasurer accepted and placed on file.

National Service Officer Dr. Surls presented two resolutions, in regard to a demand for a report from the Gloucester Convention Committee and also the New Haven Convention Committee. A Motion was made Seconded and Passed that these be referred to New Business.

National Commander Meikle requested that Chapters notify National Headquarters on death of members so that it can be published in Yankee Doings.

Americanization: Discussion was had on Juvenile Delinquency. It was decided that this should be pushed by all members and everything possible should be done.

Report on Cathedral of Pines: Hope to have the last Sunday of September for the services this year.

By-laws Committee: Next meeting will be held with National J. A. in the near future.

New Business: After much discussion a Motion was made, Seconded and Passed that the proposed resolution No. 1, presented by Dr. Surls be tabled: Vote 10 for—1 against.

Resolution No. 2: Request Convention Committee of Gloucester and New Haven for a detailed report of the Convention in 1952 and 1953. Resolution Passed.

A Motion was made Seconded and Passed that the retiring National Commander be the Chairman of the Cathedral of Pines Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Worcester, March 20, 1955

The last regular meeting of the National Executive Committee of the YD Veterans Association was held at the YD Club of Worcester on Sunday, March 20, 1955.

Meeting was opened by National Commander Meikle at 3:00 p.m. with 27 present. Commander Meikle called for a salute to the Colors followed by prayer.

National Treasurer Pacifici read the minutes of the previous meeting in the absence of the National Secretary, who is still convalescent from his recent illness. Accepted as read.

National Treasurer Pacifici read a detailed report of the finances of the Association which were accepted and placed on file.

Committee Reports. Thomas Crokan, Chairman of By-laws Committee: Meeting to be held after regular meeting.

Report on changing name of Station 128 to Yankee Division Hgwy Sta. by Ed. Streeter: Very few names had been sent to Chairman on the petitions sent out. Chairman will contact President McGinnis of the NYNH&HRR personally.

Commander Bailey of the Manchester Chapter reported on the Manchester Convention: All Committee's have been formed and are in full operation. Reported that Bill No. 35 has been submitted to the New Hampshire Legislature, in the effect that it is a request for funds for the Convention. Hopes that the advance registrations will come in at once because of the necessity of funds at this time.

New Business: Names for Nominating Committee: Commander Reimer of Department of Massachusetts presented the name of PNC Michael O'Connor for Dept. of Massachusetts. Dept. of Conn. will be represented by Howard Titus. Dept. of New Hampshire will be represented by John Bechard. Dept. of Rhode Island will be represented by John J. Kelly PSC of Rhode Island. No other Department represented.

Good and Welfare: PNC Bourget made the following suggestions:

No. 1—Dues although not due until July 1st are payable April 1st.

No. 2—Call for Chapters to bid at Manchester Convention for the 1956 Convention.

No. 3—Request a change in by-laws of Article 11, Section 5.

At that point Connecticut State Dept. Commander Al. Lindgren made a motion which was Seconded by Massachusetts State Dept. Commander Reimer that we revert back to new business: Motion passed.

New Business: A Motion was made by SDC Lindgren, Seconded by PDC Reimer that the Committee go on record of endorsing the recommendations made by PNC Bourget and that they be presented to the by-laws Committee for action before the next Nat'l Exec. Comm. meeting.

The following names were reported passed away recently: Malcolm Ross, Charles P. Hill, Leo Jolliker, William Flynn, Howard Hopkins. The members stood for thirty seconds silence in memory.

National Treasurer for
the National Secretary.

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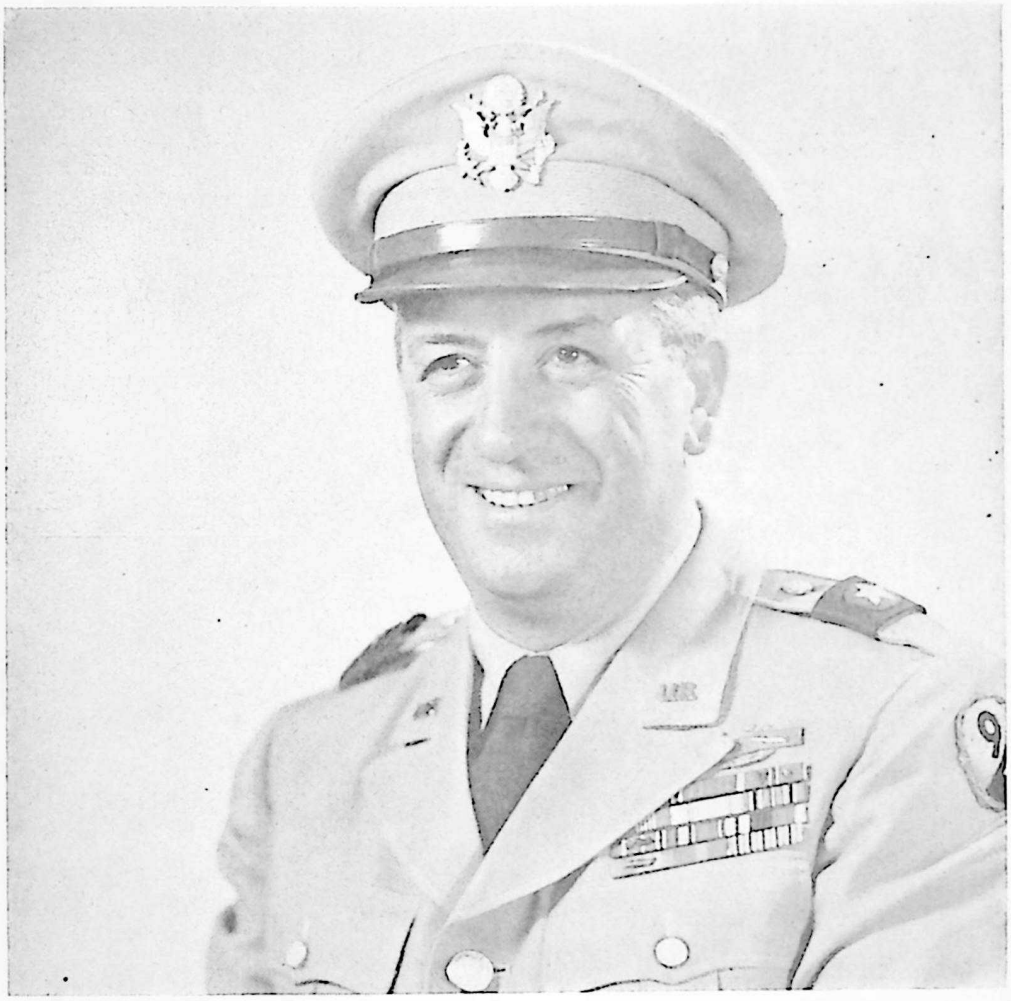


MAJOR GENERAL RALPH A. PALLADINO

Brigadier General Ralph A. Palladino, U.S.A.R., Commanding General of the 94th Infantry Division, Massachusetts' own reserve division, was promoted to the rank of Major General at ceremonies held at the Boston Army Base on Thursday evening, February 17.

The general was the war time combat commander of the 104th Infantry Regiment of "The Yankee Division." He began his active military service in December 1940, when he reported for duty as a Major of Infantry. He joined the YD in April 1942 and commanded the 2nd Battalion of the 104th during coastal patrol duty and later in training.

He sailed for Europe in August 1944 as the regimental executive officer and became regimental commander soon after the unit began offensive operations when Col. Colley was seriously injured. He led the regiment through combat until the war ended. Following an extended tour of occupation duty, he brought his regiment back to the United States in December 1945.

He was named commander of the 94th Infantry Division in 1946 and in April 1948 was promoted to general officer grade.

The generals' decorations include the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with Cluster, and several decorations from other nations.

He is a graduate of Boston University and a partner of the Palmer Spring Company in Charlestown. His son Donald is a Plebe at the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York and has been on the dean's list all year.

IN MEMORIAM

Editor of Yankee Doings:

Palm Sunday I visited a grave at Holyhood Cemetery in Brookline. Nearby, on a soldier's grave, I noted the faded-out colors of an American Flag; it was torn — I took it from its metal marker; it fell to pieces in my fingers — it had been there since Memorial Day. The name of the veterans' organization and number of the Post that had placed it there — strangely enough — stood out clearly in deep black letters.

I looked down and noted the soldier's name; it caused memory to span the distance of hills and expanse of waters, to one day, when as I plodded along through a blizzardly snow, on a street near the statue of Jeanne D'Arc at Neufchateau, there came toward me a strikingly well-groomed officer whom I knew well; he greeted me cordially — we talked of home ties — we wished each other Godspeed — we clasped hands firmly in parting; we saluted.

He was a handsome man — neat as wax — and as clean; he was a fine officer and soldier and measured up to the high standard of officers of our Massachusetts National Guard; he gave of his time and service, as they, in case of his country's need. I never saw him in life again — he gave his life on the Field of Honor in France. The name on that stone was Captain JOSEPH J. McCONNELL of the Yankee Division.

I stood at salute.

Requiescat in Pace. Amen.

A few hours later, in Roxbury, I came upon a small plot upon which had been placed, as a Memorial, a boulder of native rock, or "Roxbury pudding stone," in honor of another soldier.

What was once a bright American Flag was there also; the colors had been bleached out — it was torn — and soiled — and almost black; it was tied in the middle by a fine piece of iron wire.

I took it away.

I looked at the name on the stone and my thoughts again went back to another day in France; that boulder commemorated the memory of another of my comrades; there had been a bond between us — he was a private in the ranks, as myself; I had lived for many years within a stone's throw of that shaft.

I remember well the day news came to us, shortly after we arrived in France — and it came somewhat as a personal shock to us — of the death of this young soldier; he was, incidentally, the first of Jewish faith to give his life for his Country in France.

The name of that stone is Private HERBERT JEROME WOLF of the Yankee Division.

I stood again in salute.

Requiescat in Pace. Amen.

The next Sunday — Easter Sunday — warm and sunshiney, in contrast to the other — I repeated those two visits.

At that soldier's grave in Brookline, a bright, new American Flag fluttered gaily in the gentle breeze of Spring.

Later in the day, at that Shaft in Roxbury, I saw our Country's beautiful Colors — resplendent in the sun.

I felt a thrill that moistered the eye as I made those visits that day; and there was a feeling of satisfaction that I had, even in this late day (with little of effect or expense) placed there, the day before, in honor and memory of those comrades of ours, our Country's Emblem they had served and for which they gave their lives in France; for on that Palm Sunday I had pledged myself to see to it that our Flag — yours and theirs and mine — at those soldier comrades' shrines would, from that day, be ever fresh — and bright — and clean.

FROM THE WAR CRY

Sweet poppy bells that guard the tired dead
Wave gently where those buried heroes bled.
Nay — wake them not — they are asleep with God —
But whisper kindly through the sheltering sod;
"Sleep, sleep for all is well — all, all is well."

Charles A. O'Connor,
(104th Inf.)

Yankee Division Post No. 290 A. L.

On Monday evening, June 6th, at the Hotel Vendome in Boston, Mass., the Yankee Division Post will sponsor a Testimonial Dinner to Gen. William J. Blake. At that time the YD Post will present to Gen. Blake the American Legion Founders Medallion, which can be worn only by bona fide active members of the Society of American Legion Founders. Gen. Blake was present at the Paris Caucus in 1919 at which time the American Legion was founded. Tickets will be $6.50 each and may be obtained by writing to Jean H. Fallon, Finance Officer YD Post 290 American Legion, 200 Huntington Ave., Boston. As we are limited to space, reservations will be filled only when requests are accompanied by check or money order. Don't forget the date, JUNE 6th at the Vendome Hotel.

P. C. John J. Callahan,
General Chairman.

INSTALLATION

Mrs. Ruth Parks was installed as President of the Gloucester Chapter YD Auxiliary at Gloucester, Mass., on March 30th., at the Legion Home.

The State Dept. President, Mrs. Stella Lavalle acted as Installing Officer assisted by State Dept. Sgt.-at-Arms, Mrs. Signe Nute. The following officers will assist Mrs. Parks for the coming year: Sr. Vice Pres., Miss Eva Parks; Jr. Vice Pres., Mrs. Elizabeth Dunbar; Treasurer, Mrs. Bernice Doucette; Secretary, Mrs. Estelle Conley; Historian, Mrs. Flora Jarvis; Chaplain, Miss Lotta Parks; Sgt.at-Arms, Mrs. Pauline Patience; Trustee, Mrs. Ethel McDonald. Following the installation Mayor Smith spoke briefly and after the greetings of the Veterans organizations a collation was served.

101st INFANTRY'S NEW COLONEL

COLONEL RICHARD J. QUIGLEY

When Colonel Richard J. (Dick) Quigley was appointed Regimental Commander of the Yankee Division's 101st Infantry Regiment, he became one of the youngest men ever to assume that position of responsibility and can be described as a "101st Infantry Product" from the date that he took the oath of enlistment as a Private.

Colonel Quigley who resides at 162 Harvard Street, Wollaston, Massachusetts is a graduate of Boston English High School, Staley College and is currently attending Boston University. His civilian occupation is that of a Field Representative of the Property Management Division of the Veterans Administration.

As a youngster Colonel Quigley completed the four encampments of C.M/T.C. to qualify as a Second Lieutenant but was unable to accept his commission owing to the fact that he was not actually 21 years of age.

Colonel Quigley's military service started in the 101st Infantry in 1934 and except for a few months during World War II, all of his 20 years of service has been spent with Boston's "Fighting Irish."

During the period from 1934 Colonel Quigley served in Service Company 101st Infantry in all grades from Private to Master Sergeant. From January 1941 to March 1946 Colonel Quigley served in all ranks from Second Lieutenant to Lieutenant Colonel and during World War II he served as Company Commander of Service Co. 101st Infantry, Supply Officer of the 101st Infantry, Adjutant and Supply Officer of Reserve Command of the 8th Armored Division, Commanding Officer of the 8th Cavalry Squadron Mechanized, Commanding Officer of the 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion and Commanding Officer of the 2nd Battalion 101st Infantry.

Following World War II the Colonel served as Commanding Officer of the 3rd Battalion of the 101st Infantry and as the 101st Infantry's Executive Officer.

Colonel Quigley is a graduate of the Advance Course at the Infantry School and has completed the Non-Resident Course of the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Among his decorations Colonel Quigley has the Bronze Star with two oak-leaf clusters, The Combat Infantryman Badge, American Defense Medal, American Theater Medal, European Theater Medal with 4 battle stars, World War II Victory Medal, Army of Occupation Medal, The Armed Forces Reserve Medal, the State Service Medal and the Medal of French Liberation.

Report of the Nominating Committee Y.D.V.A.

To all members of the YD Veterans Association:

Your Nominating Committee met in the YD Memorial Clubhouse, 200 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Mass., on Sunday, April 3, 1955 and selected the following candidates for election to office at the 36th Annual Meeting in Manchester, N. H., June 11, 1955.

FOR THE OFFICE OF

Honorary National Commander

Lt. General Williard S. Paul, Florida

National Commander

Clarence L. Anderson, Portsmouth, N. H.

National Chaplains

Father Francis X. Bransfield, Holbrook
Rev. Daniel W. Strickland, Florida

National Treasurer

Albert M. Pacifici, Boston

Assistant National Treasurer

William P. Coffey, Boston

National Judge Advocate

Howard W. Titus, Hartford

National Americanization Officer

Albert E. Lindgren, New Haven

National Service Officer

Dr. Joseph K. Surls, New York

Assistant National Service Officer

Matthew J. Ryan, Boston

National Historian

John J. Goss, Hartford

Assistant National Historian

Earl W. Eames, Boston

Hospitalization Officer

Francis C. White, Boston

National Vice Commander for Maine

National Vice Commander for New Hampshire

Charles V. Weaver, Manchester

National Vice Commander for Vermont

National Vice Commander for Massachusetts

Roy W. Reimer, Boston

National Vice Commander for Rhode Island

National Vice Commander for Connecticut

National Vice Commander for Department of the East

National Vice Commander for Department of Middle West

National Vice Commander for Department of Far West

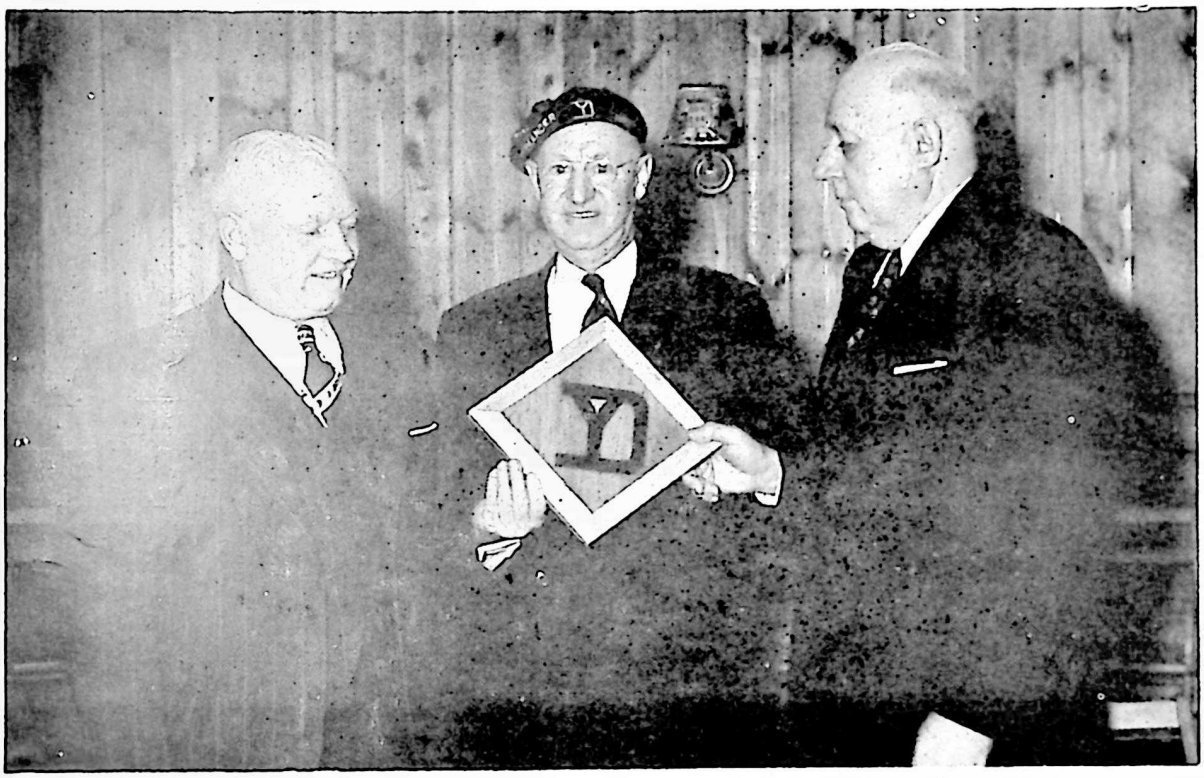
Members at Large — National Executive Comm.

Walter B. Vickory, Rhode Island
Harold A. Nute, Mass.
Charles Bailey, New Hampshire
M. Justynowicz, East
William Connors, Mass.

The Nominating Committee have prepared and offer the following nominations for the proposed offices, subject to action of approval at Annual meeting. Above candidates respectfully submitted.

Michael P. O'Connor, (Chrmn)
John F. Bechard
Howard W. Titus
John J. Kelly
Richard H. Woodbury

Plaque Presented Cavallari Post By Y.D. Vets



Left to right: Commander Longobucco, National Commander James F. B. Meikle, General Novey

Certilleux Post, Yankee Division Veterans' Association, held its annual dinner-dance Saturday evening at Cavallari Post Home. A roast beef supper was served. Arrangements were in charge of John J. Maczokas, G. George Rossi and Stephen Pavlak, Jr. Brig. Gen. Ernest E. Novey, commander of the chapter, served as master of ceremonies.

James F. B. Meikle of Burlington, national commander of the Y.D.V.A., Howard W. Titus of West Hartford, national sergeant-at-arm, and Domenic Longobucco, commander of Cavallari Post, Italian-American War Veterans, were guests of the chapter.

A carved Y.D. plaque was presented to Commander Longobucco by General Novey, to be placed in the post home in memory of Giovanni Cavallari, for whom the Cavallari Post is named. The plaque was made by Raymond MacNichols of Stamford. Mr. Longobucco, in behalf of the members of the post, expressed appreciation for the gift.

James F. B. Meikle, national commander of the Y.D.V.A., was the principal speaker. He gave an interesting and inspiring message from the National organization.

Howard W. Titus also addressed the gathering. Remarks were given by several other members of the organization. Music was furnished by Richardson's orchestra.

It was announced that the state meeting would be held in Unionville in March.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. James F. B. Meikle of Burlington, Mr. and Mrs. Howard W. Titus of West Hartford, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Maczokas, Domenic Longobucco, Mr. and Mrs. Erman Cavagnero, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fusco, Mrs. Helen Jeanfavre, Mr. and Mrs. Floridia Alciati, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert P. Kjellerstedt, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen J. Pavlak, Jr., Mrs. Frank Crague, Daniel Brunicardi, Mr. and Mrs. Patsy Alfano, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Bardini, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Sweykosky, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence D. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond R. Richardson, John J. Audia.

Samuel Tubinc, Miss Marie Melluzzo, William F. Clemens, Jr., Miss Evelyn M. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Evans and Paul J. Caravatt, all of Hartford, Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon White of Manchester, G. George Rossi, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Matalewicz, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Schibi, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miasek, Francis McCarthy, Mrs. Ralph Capuano, Eugene Brower, General and Mrs. Ernest E. Novey.

NATIONAL SERVICE OFFICE

Non-Service-Connected Pensions

The qualifications for these pensions are—

1. 90 days or more of active duty, some of it during wartime; or less than 90 days if you were discharged for disability incurred in service in line of duty.

2. Total and permanent disability which has no connection with service.

3. If you are single, a yearly income of less than $1400; if you are married or have minor children, a yearly income of less than $2700. There are certain forms of income which the government does not consider as income in deciding this qualification. So, if there is any chance of your qualifying, get these details from the V. A.

4. An honorable discharge.

The V. A. defines total disability as any impairment of mind or body which is sufficient to render it impossible for the average person to follow a substantially gainful occupation.

It defines permanent disability as that which will continue throughout the life of the disabled veteran with reasonable certainty.

If you feel that you can meet the above requirements, get a doctor's statement to this effect and notify the nearest V. A. office that you are applying for this pension. Then they will have you come in for examination to see whether their doctors concur with yours. If they do, you will receive it.

This pension is $66.15 if you are under 65 and $78.75 if you are 65 or over. After you have been drawing $66.15 continuously for 10 years, the amount is raised to $78.75 regardless of whether you have reached 65 or not. If you are blind or need the regular aid and attendance of another person, the rate is $135.45.

Joseph K. Surls, M.D.,
130 East End Ave., New York, 28, N. Y.

Dear Guy:

I am assuming that you are all "healed up" and back on the job again.

I am writing you this letter in line with the talk we had some time ago. Thought you might want to put a piece in "Yankee Doings" and feel the membership out to see if there would be enough who would like to get together for another trip to France in the summer of 1956.

At the moment, at least two couples from Rhode Island, besides Mrs. Cook and myself, are interested. In fact, if things go well we definitely are going anyway. However, as you know, it takes considerable time to plan a trip properly and, with the experience we have just recently had, possibly we could practice economy a little further and make the trip more inviting to more people.

Any reactions you have please let me know and we will see what more can be done about it.

Very truly yours,

LAWRENCE H. COOK, INC.
Lawrence H. Cook, President

Comments on YD History

"I should like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation of your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the History. I should also like to extend my congratulations on the end product of your long efforts. It is a dignified account, well done in an appropriate historical manner and I am impressed by the fitting absence of pages of personal photographs which, while lending themselves to the saleability of the document, do not enhance its historical value. I am passing it around among the YD people in the building to make sure they get their orders in."

Sincerely,

JOHN G. C. BROWN,
Lt. Colonel, GS
Pentagon Bldg.,
Washington, D. C.

A card was received by Ralph M. Eastman from Lyman Armes, a Boston resident and a Past Commander of the Crosscup-Pishon Post American Legion of Boston, in regard to "Stubby" who will be remembered by all WWI members of the Division as the Mascot of the Division.

BULLETIN: "Stubby" with a blanket, on which he wears all his medals, stands in a glass case in the D. C. headquarters, American Red Cross. His remains were cremated after a plaster case had been made of his body. Sealed ashes were imbedded in the cast. His hide was then replaced on the cast and there, big as life, stands "STUBBY."

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DEPARTMENT AND CHAPTER NEWS

National Commander: James F. B. Meikle, RFD 1, Unionville, Conn.
National Secretary: H. Guy Watts, 200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS

Commander: Roy W. Reimer, 39 Brookdale Rd., Brighton, Mass.
Secretary: Earl W. Eames, 206 Chestnut Hill Ave., Brighton, Mass.

The February meeting of the Mass. Dept. of YDVA was held at the YD Club of Worcester on Sunday, February 6, 1955. Reports from all Chapters present showed considerable activity, social, Hospital work and membership. The small attendance was held down on account of the weather. A wonderful clam chowder was served by Signe Nute following the meeting.

March 13, 1955:—The largest attendance on record were present. The Election of Officers was held and the following were elected: Dept. Commander, Roy W. Reimer, Boston Chapter; Sr. Vice Cmdr., Henry Contois, Worcester; Jr. Vice Cmdr., Peter Balise, Northampton; Treasurer, Leon Lavalle, Northampton; Chaplain, Harold A. Gould, Worcester; Judge Advocate, Edmund Streeter; Service Officer, Allen Lyndell.

Commander Reimer re-appointed Earle Eames as Secretary and old reliable Al Riley of Boston as Sgt.-at-Arms. The election was spirited, but with an atmosphere of YD Loyalty and good sportsmanship which follows the tradition of the YD.

The installation of the Department will be held, Sunday, May 3, 1955, at National Hdqrs. This is the first installation held in Boston since the late Austin Appleby became State Dept. Commander. Our May meeting will be held in Northampton. Thru PDC Streeter our June meeting will be held in Lynn. Your Dept. Secretary firmly believes and is convinced that if you delinquents have any heart at all, or any affection for Gen. Edwards, as you have always bragged you have, you will get off your TV seats and attend your Dept. functions, be active and back your Dept. officers, show proof, you recognize the leadership and qualities of your Nat'l Commander and his staff, and by further proof, will you mail your dues to 'Guy' and be proud of yourself for doing so.

So, Buddies, let us see your face again, whether at Boston or the back woods, your YD friends and their auxiliaries want and need you.

The Dept. of Massachusetts YDVA held its annual installation Sunday, April 3rd at Boston YD Club. It has been many years since this event took place in the Mother club.

Past Nat. Com. Mike O'Connor assisted by Nat. Sgt.-at-Arms Titus were the installing officers, and taking the oath for 1955-56 State Officers were the ever popular Roy Reimer, Cmdr; Sr. Vice Cmdr, Henry Contois; Jr. Vice Cmdr., Peter Balise; Treas., Leon Lavallee; Chaplain, Harold Gould; Service Officer, Allen Lyndell; Judge Advocate, Eddie Streeter; Sgt.-at-Arms and Adjutant, Earle Eames.

Past Nat. Com. the one and only Cowboy Jim Sullivan, was Emcee, was his usual self and the ad libber of the front platform. Guests included Past Nat. Aux. Presidents, Betty Fallon and Irene Melville; Dept. Pres., Signe Nute. Harold Fallon, John Bechard, Clarence Anderson, Mrs. Malena Byron, and Tommy Murphy, Brighton American Legion Commander were on hand. Roy's two charming sisters, Mrs. Florence Tolland and Mrs. Gladys Doyle, as well as Gold Star Mothers, Mrs. Kosli, Mrs. Stella Lavallee and Mrs. Eugenia Raiche were as gracious as ever.

Music was furnished on the piano by Gertrude M. Eames former trumpet soloist with the "Brownies," famous all girls band of the B. F. Keith circuit.

Guy Watts, a great guy too, furnished the excellent collation to the large group present. Commander Reimer was the recipient of a splendid present from Past Dept. Commander Fallon of New Hampshire.

"Cowboy" reported that National Commander Meikle telegraphed his sincere regrets, for Jim is down with the virus.

Photos were taken by our good friend Ed. Trudell of Lynn. The wonderful Doc Brown of Manchester gave interesting highlights for the much looked for June Convention in New Hampshire. It was a happy Palm Sunday filled with the usual YD spirit and comradeship.

April 4th, Commander Reimer with his staff of Al Riley and Earl Eames installed Beverly Chapter.

Tommy Wallace, Com.; Bill Prest, Sr. Vice Com.; the one and only King Yee of restaurant fame Jr. Vice Com.; Sec. & Treas., Tommy again; Chaplain Emeritus, Harold F. Heald; Sgt-at-Arms, Rus Perkins. We in the Dept., love the spirit of Tommy Wallace and his gang of Battery vets and for another reason than YD too. The men, yes the men, gave us the grandest fish chowder possible, and we are sorry there is only one installation a year. Phil Browning the outgoing Commander was presented his P.C. pin by Ed Streeter of Lynn Chapter, and a past Dept. Commander. Under Tommy, Beverly is on its way.

Earle, Eames, *Secretary*

BEVERLY CHAPTER

Commander: Philip W. Browning
19 Essex St., Beverly, Mass.
Secretary-Treasurer: Thomas J. Wallace
33 Thorndike St., Beverly, Mass.

The mid-winter meeting of the Beverly Chapter YDVA was held at "Chop Stick" House, Wenham on Monday evening, February 7th. We had one of the largest gatherings together with members of their families that we have had out, for a long time. We were pleased to welcome back Norman Day, the Department Chaplain, who has been on the sick list for several months. Another to whom we must add a word of welcome to, is Gordon Coole, who was accompanied by Mrs. Coole. By the way they have recently moved to Beverly from Manchester, so we hope to see a great deal more of them at our gatherings. So much for the welcoming committee.

Everyone enjoyed their choice of food whether it was Chinese or American, which is very ably served by our own King Yee and his attendants.

After the dinner a very pleasant social hour was enjoyed after which the members of the Chapter held a short business meeting. It was voted to assist the local veteran groups in participating in the activities to be held by the N. E. Massachusetts Musical Festivities to be held in this city in May.

As for the sick list, Austin (Lem) Andrews is confined to the Beverly Hospital. Frank Dupee has returned from a Boston Hospital to his home and is making very satisfactory recovery. Why not dig up a couple of cards and mail them to the two "Old Timers."

I must not forget Edwin W. Streeter, Past Dept. Commander and Mrs. Streeter dropped in, and I believe they enjoyed the hospitality of the gathering.

The next meeting will be held at Earle T. Wardell Post 12 American Legion home on March 7th. Norman MacLean is chairman of the event, so will be expecting something good.

Thomas Wallace, *Sec'y.*

Beverly Chapter members, their wives and guests met at the home of E. T. Wardell Post 12 American Legion Home on Monday evening April 4th for a very enjoyable evening.

The evenings activities commenced when everyone gathered around and enjoyed a luscious fish chowder which was served by Phil Browning and Tommie Wallace.

Following the repast the ladies adjourned to the reading room to enjoy the television while the Chapter members held their annual election of officers and installation. Those elected and installed were: Commander, Thomas J. Wallace; Sr. Vice Commander, William H. Prest; Jr. Vice Commander, King Y Yee; Chaplain Emeritus, Harold F. Heald and Sgt.-at-Arms, Russell F. Perkins.

The installation of officers was conducted by Mass. Dept. Commander Roy W. Reimer and assisted by Sgt.-at-Arms, Alfred Riley. A Past Commander's pin was presented to Past Commander Philip W. Browning by Past Dept. Commander, Edwin W. Streeter.

Following the installation the ladies joined the members in a social hour before parting for the evening.

The Beverly Chapter members present, were captivated by having the Dept. officers present and enjoyed an evening long to be remembered.

The Chapter will take an active part in the Northeastern Massachusetts Musical Festival Parade which will be held in this city on Saturday, May 7th. During the Memorial Day week-end they will join in with other veteran organizations in observing the activities of honoring Beverly's hero dead. It is also desired that a gathering of members attend the YDVA Memorial Services at the General Edwards Bridge on Sunday, June 5th.

Members on sick leave have been Bruce Lancaster who has returned home after a short stay at the Beverly Hospital. Austin (Lem) Andrews has also returned home from Beverly Hospital where he has been confined for two months with a heart ailment.

Thomas J. Wallace,
Commander-Secretary.

BOSTON CHAPTER

Commander: George A. McDonald
200 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Mass.
Secretary: H. Guy Watts
200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.

The Annual Election of the Boston Chapter was held on Thursday, March 24, 1955 with George A. McDonald heading the slate of Officers as Commander for the coming year and the following were elected to the Board of Governors. First Vice Cmdr., William P. Coffey; Second Vice Cmdr., Albert E. McPhee; Third Vice Cmdr., John W. Coughlin; Treasurer, Albert M. Pacifici; Secretary, H. Guy Watts; Directors: for one year, John H. Smith and Joseph H. Gillis; for two years, James H. Sullivan and John J. Callahan; three years, Angelo Mantenuto and Joseph N. Brackett.

Treasurer Al Pacifici gave a detailed report of the finances of the Club for the past year and as he stated that it was the best financial report he had read in the 27 years that he had been Treasurer of the Club. The bonds and loans, money we borrowed to open the Lounge in 1948 all paid and a good inventory of stock on hand, all good liquid assets. A lot of work has to be done on the Club building in the near future and that can be started by the Board of Governors this year.

Word has been received that we will expect a visit this summer from Andrew Hanney, H Co. 101st Inf. Andy is now Vice Consul at Guatamala and Robert Dickson (Hqtrs. Co. 101st Inf.) who has been stationed on the Canal at Panama for many years.

The Club entertained the State Department of the YDVA on Sunday, April 3rd at an installation of the Department when Roy Reimer a Boston Club member was installed as Commander of the Mass. State Dept. Past Nat'l Commander Michael O'Connor of Northampton did the installing and Past. Nat'l Commander James Sullivan acted as Master of Ceremonies.

FITCHBURG CHAPTER

Commander: Elvio N. Ruberti
56 Boylston Street, Fitchburg, Mass.

Secretary: Ernest F. George
100 Pacific Street, Fitchburg, Mass.

Our February meeting was well attended by 40 members, a very good turnout fellows. The usual donation was made to the Red Cross. No one was reported sick at this meeting, which proves we are a very healthy Chapter. Let's keep it that way, go to bed early nights, especially you veterans of the big war.

The name of Comrade George Callahan was drawn for the attendance prize of $10.00, too bad you wasn't here George, try to attend our next meeting, the boys will be glad to see you after such a long time absent.

Moving pictures of the Neurenburg Trials were shown by Sgt. Troy Moore of the U. S. Army Recruiting Service, following the refreshments.

Our March meeting and election of Officers was attended by 28 members, the following officers were elected:

Commander, Alfred Provencial; Senior Vice Commander, Wilfred DeLoge; Junior Vice Commander, Waldo Manning; Secretary, Ernest F. George; Treasurer, Robert O'Brien; Chaplain, Arthur Gagne; and Trustees, Elvio Ruberti, Harold Beer, Harry Chambers, Arthur Robichaud and Victor Bean.

Bob O'Brien reported on his trip to New York, and the various places of interest he visited, in company of a New York Detective as guide. Maybe the dick was tailing him, we don't know for sure. Comrade Chambers forgot to bring his choppers at this meeting — and we had roast beef on the menu. But he made out O.K. because Commander Ruberti had a jar of baby food for him. So he said "if it's good for the babies, it's good enough for me."

Attendance prize of $15.00 was won by George Bridge. Movies of D Day Invasion were shown by Sgt. Troy Moore U. S. Army.

Are your dues paid for 1955? If not, why?

See you next meeting.

—Ernie.

LYNN CHAPTER

Commander: Charles Scanlon
113 Burrill St., Swampscott, Mass.

Secretary: Edmond Trudell
44 Bowler St., Lynn, Mass.

A busy season ahead with membership drive on, nomination and election of officers and Tag Day and Memorial Day coming up. Nominated at March meeting were the following:

Commander, Robert Hurley; Senior Vice Cmdr., Edward Nicholson; Junior Vice Cmdr., Leon Denis; Treasurer, A. Raymond Doucette, P.N.C.; Secretary, Edmond Trudell; Chaplain, Walter Smith; Sgt.-at-Arms, William Eddows; Historian, Leon Varnam; Trustee Trust Fund, Thomas Curran.

Executive Committee, 5 to be elected: Albert Couillard, Charles Benway, Edwin Streeter, Leslie Pugh, Oliver Nichols, Christian Schacht, Edward Saulnier.

Election will be held on April 26th.

The Chapter members will once again parade as a unit on Memorial Day, led by Saugus High School Band with Ray Doucette in charge of arrangements.

In June our annual Hospital Tag Day will be held in charge of William Eddows, assisted by Charles Scanlon, Oliver Nichols, Claude Hoag, Robert Hurley, Charles Benway, Edward Saulnier, Willis Harvey and Eustis Grimes.

On our sick list are the following: Claude Hoag, 89 Victory Road, Lynn; Albert Michaud, Vet's Hospital, Rutland, Mass.; Larry Ethier, 25 Farm Bar Ave., Winthrop, Mass.; Arthur MacMunn, Vet's Hospital, Jamaica Plain; Francis Guindon, Chelsea's John Quigley Hosp.; William Goodwin, Chelsea's John Quigley Hosp.; Chester Matthews, 80 Fairview Ave., Peabody; Henry Graham, 27 Broad St., Salem; Edgar Barnes, Vet's Hospital, Jamaica Plain; Thomas Brady, 14 Elm St., Lynn.

— The Duke

SPRINGFIELD

Commander: John L. Lowe
86 Court Street, Springfield, Mass.

Secretary: Thomas F. Crokan
86 Chilson Street, Springfield, Mass.

The Chapter had a nice Spaghetti and Meat Ball Supper February 19th at the Club and about 75 were served including pie and cheese, bread and butter and coffee. Ben was Chapter Chairman and Kit Crokan was Chairman for the Auxiliary. Assistants were Ros Patch, Bill McCormick, Jenny Curto and Her Hubby, Irene Maley, Ann Valentine, Margie Scagliarini and Dagmar O'Connell. The Club was decorated in red, white and blue for the occasion. A huge cake was made and decorated by Mrs. Crokan and the winner of the same was the President's mother Mrs. Cochi.

The Chapter finishes this year with an increase over last year, if some of us were a little more interested in who lives on our street or neighborhood the increase would be much greater. Our paid uppers for the coming year to date are seven and your truly will again issue Honor Roll Membership cards to all paid up before May 1st. Remember you must be paid up to attend the National Convention Meeting and election in Manchester, N. H. in June. The wise thing to do about the Convention is to register with the Chapter Secretary for hotel accommodations as soon as possible.

Edward Wadas, our number one Honor Roll Member for 55 and 56 is a Unit Maintenance Man for the 104th Infantry M.N.G. here in Springfield, and lives in Three Rivers, Mass. Lawrence Reigner is a policeman on the Agawam Force and served in Supply Co. He plans to attend Last Squad meeting in April. Doc Andrews is right in the grove at his old trade slinging tin and soldier.

The Commander and I attended the dinner to the Western Massachusetts Baseball Champs given by the Al. Post 449 of Brightwood. By the time this news goes to press, we will have had a "Paddy's" Card Party, March 16th and a party at Soldier's Home, March 3rd and Leeds, March 23rd. Last but not least let us try to help the YD Buddy or his family who is down on his luck. A visit to those means a lot and helps the membership.

Haig Takorian has been selected president of the Dry Cleaners Association.

Edward B. Wadas is No. 1 1955 paid-up Honor Roll Member. Here's hoping I can have 100% paid-up for the Convention in Manchester. Doc. Andrews, Springfield and Larry Reigner of Agawam Police Dept. are also H. P. Members. I didn't catch up with them this year now closing.

James, Keene P. O. employee, 101st Inf., was buried Saturday in St. Michael's Cemetery, Saturday morning, March 19th. He was a former member of the Chapter.

Malcolm B. Ross for 35 years a civil engineer for the City of Springfield, was buried Saturday afternoon. He was a member of the Springfield Chapter having served with the 101st Engineer. A graduate of Yale and member of many organizations.

Tom Crokan, *Sec'y.*

WORCESTER CHAPTER

Commander: Roland M. Cook
16 Vista Drive, Shrewsbury, Mass.

Secretary: Sheldon L. Goodwin
3 Allen St., Worcester, Mass.

SPECIAL NOTE

I want to make a correction on the death notice of Yvonne Grenier, of our Worcester Auxiliary, that was in the Feb. - March issue of the "Doings". It should have read that the mother of Yvonne Grenier passed away in January. Also, another correction; that the wife of George Sloan passed away during the same month: Of course it is George Sloan who is a member of the Board of Directors—his wife couldn't have been so—neither could Roy Premo's mother.

And I wish you'd correct one more thing: In the Jan.-Feb. issue of "Doings" where I wrote about the Gould family having 4 members in the Chapter and Auxiliary: Harold A. Gould, the son of Harold F. Gould, was a veteran of World War II, but not the first World War. But, Bernard C. Gould and his brother, Harold F. Gould were veterans of both World Wars.

The chapter voted unanimously to purchase a United States flag for a local Cub Scout pack—Cub Pack No. 61, of the All Souls Universalist Church—which is in the vicinity of the YD clubhouse; (also, the boy of yours truly is a Cub Scout there) . . . After having received a request sometime in early February, from the chairman of their Pack Committee, at the church. The name of the chairman is Mr. Benjamin Martin, of 33 Oberlin St., Worcester. Our present treasurer, and Junior Vice Commander for the coming year, Harold Gould, will buy the flag; and it will be presented at the next Pack meeting, on Thursday evening, March 31st. Past State Department Commander Harold Nute, along with his past Sgt.-at-Arms Henry Contois will present the new colors to the Pack. President Florence Gould, of the YD Auxiliary will also be present for the ceremony; or else have one of her officers represent her.

At the February meeting of the chapter, in its quarters; nominations of officers for the coming year were made . . . both, by a nominating committee, headed by Henry Contois; and from the floor. The following members were nominated for office: Commander, Joseph Maynard; Senior Vice Commander, James Wrightson, and Edward Premo; Junior Vice Commander, Harold Gould; Chaplain, John Judge; Treasurer, Archie McInnis; Historian, Harold Nute; Executive Committee, Joseph Asselta, Francis Berthiaume, Mark Branniff, Henry Contois, Harold Esip, John Fahey, Joseph Fontaine, George Gaumond, Leonard Johnson, Edward Racicot, Owen Rourke, George Sloan.

Elections were held at the March 10th meeting with the following results: Commander, Joseph Maynard; Senior Vice Commander, Edward Premo; Junior Vice Commander, Harold Gould; Chaplain, John Judge; Treasurer, Archie McInnis; Historian, Harold Nute; Executive Committee, Joseph Asselta, Francis Berthiaume, Henry Contois, Harold Esip, Joseph Fontaine, George Gaumond, Leonard Johnson, and George Sloan. Among the above officers elected, five are World War II Veterans: Namely—Francis Berthiaume, John Judge, Archie McInnis, Edward Premo, and Harold Esip.

At the close of its March 10th meeting; it was decided upon, to have the Chapter and the YD Club share the expenses of the installation. It will probably be held on the first or second, (possibly the 3rd) Sunday in April, at the clubhouse . . . and possibly in conjunction with the State Department, and both Auxiliaries — Chapter and State Department. Commander Joseph Maynard, (the new Commander for 1955-56), has appointed Henry Contois as his Sgt.-at-Arms; and Sheldon Goodwin, as his Secretary, for the new year, starting on Thursday evening, April the 14th. And, as it was last year; there will probably be a dinner at the club, to precede the installation.

For the 3rd month running, the State Department will hold its meeting here, in Worcester, on Sunday, March 13, in a postponed meeting from Sunday, March 6th; at which time it will also hold its annual election. From Worcester, there are five candidates for offices, as follows: Senior Vice Commander, Henry Contois; Junior Vice Commander, Archie McInnis and Sheldon Goodwin, both World War II veterans; Chaplain, Harold Gould; and Judge Advocate, Harold Nute. The other two previous State Department meetings held here, were on: Sunday, Jan. 9th, and Sunday, Feb. 13th. Also, the National Executive Committee meeting for March will be here, on Sunday March 20th, at 2:30 P.M.

Yours in YDVA,

Sheldon Goodwin, *Secretary.*

DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLNAD

Commander: Frederick Grandchamp, 19 Leading Street, Johnston, R. I.
Secretary: Wilfred M. Bresette, 84 Lexington Av., Providence 7, R. I.

PROVIDENCE CHAPTER

Commander: Frank P. Cannao
326 Sharon St., Providence, R. I.
Secretary: Guy M. Kittredge
107 Lexington Ave., Providence 7, R. I.

Once again Providence Chapter held its PAST COMMANDERS NIGHT, and as this is one of the chapter's big events, it went over with a bang.

Our Commander Frank Cannao was a little late, due to busy Saturday business in his barber shop. Senior Vice Joe Taci opened up the festivities and Chaplain Howard Hopkins read the prayer, followed by all standing the minute of Silence for our departed buddies. Just as we sat down to dinner Commander Frank came in with his lovely wife, so he didn't miss much. After the fine dinner we got down to the business of the evening.—Honoring all our PAST COMMANDERS.

William Mulcahey sent best wishes, as he had to be in Newport that evening.

Larry Cook gave some fine remarks about the pleasure he had in serving the Providence chapter as its Commander.

Ed Mara sent regrets. He was home laid up with the grippe, and this was the first one he had ever missed.

Jack Kelley thanked the boys for their support while he was in office. We were sorry Dolly could not attend with him.

Mike Crescenzo who now lives in Atlanta, Georgia, was represented by none other than good old Bill McAllister, who kept the crowd laughing with some good stories and did a swell job for Mike.

Francis (Scotty) Dunn, not feeling as well as in the past thanked the boys for stringing along with him and was very glad to be present. Sorry he had to leave his wife at home on account of illness.

Ralph Whitman sent in his return card, not being able to attend, on account of him enjoying the Florida sunshine.

David Davidson was glad the good Lord spared him for another Past Commanders night, and was looking forward to seeing many more.

Walter Vickery still thinks this is the best chapter, and glad to have been one of its commanders.

Wilfred Bresette was glad to have served the boys as their Commander, and is always glad to carry the ball for Providence Chapter.

John Mitchell sent his regards, and would like to be here, but Uncle Sam still needs a few good YD men to show the kids coming along how it's done.

Guy Kittredge always glad to keep plugging for the Providence Chapter and the good old YD.

Fred Grandchamp, who is also our State Commander, thinks Providence chapter the best and likes the way we battle for our rights.

Leo Bottari thanks the boys for his year as their Commander, and can still eat a good size dinner.

Chic Story, our baby as far as Past Commanders go, thanked the boys for his year as their Commander. He said it was about 38 years ago we all joined up in the army and was glad to see the boys still sticking together.

We had the pleasure of having Mrs. Raymond Taylor, the widow of one of our Commanders as our guest. Also a letter from Mrs. Murray, widow of Robert Murray, who could not make it but was with us in thoughts.

Jack Roy, one of our members gave a speech of how he, coming from the 104th infantry, was welcomed by the Providence gang, and liked the swell way we had in keeping the boys together.

Letter read from National Commander James F. Meikle, was sorry he could not be with us, as he had mad a previous engagement. We missed you Jim.

Several of the boys who could not make it sent in their return cards with a few remarks. Nice to get these cards as the gang likes to hear from each, as they are read off. Only wished they could be present.

A rising vote of thanks was given Chairman Joe Taci and his committee for a good job done in arranging the evening. All acclaimed it so.

Guy M. Kittredge, *Sec.-Treas.*

DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Commander: John F. Bechard, 208 Broad St., Portsmouth, N. H.
Secretary: Clarence L. Anderson, 139 Concord Way, Portsmouth, N. H.

STATE MEETING

Monthly meeting of Department of New Hampshire YDVA was held at Community Center Bldg., Portsmouth, N. H., at 3 P.M. Sunday, March 27.

Meeting opened in due form and conventional reports read and accepted.

Reports of Chapter Senior Vice Commanders on membership were read as follows: Manchester 73, Nashua 18, Portsmouth 39, Lebanon 9, Newmarket 12. Total 151.

Chaplain Byron reported Comrades John Ross and Albert Carlisle home from V. A. hospitals and on the improvement list.

Comrade Carlisle was up for Dept. Commander but he wrote a fine letter requesting withdrawal because of health.

The report of the nominating committee was read and accepted. It was moved and carried that the Secretary cast one ballot electing the following officers for Department of New Hampshire Y.D.V.A. for 1955-56.

Commander Charles Weaver, Manchester; Senior Vice

Commander Clyde Holt, Nashua; Junior Vice Commander Dana Huntress, Portsmouth; Chaplain, William Sobogenski, Newmarket; Treasurer, P. C. John Bechard; Secretary and Sgt.-at-Arms to be selected by new commander.

Commander Charles Bailey reported that a collection box will be on hand at Convention Headquarters, Hotel Carpenter for donations for a monument which is to be erected at the junction of the new sea-wall at Hampton Beach, N. H. in memory of veterans of all wars who were lost at sea.

Under new business the Department went on record as endorsing two bills pending before Congress: H R 4264 and H R 4439 which are to all WW I veterans a pension at age 60.

Commander Bailey extended and Dept. accepted an invitation to hold the next Dept. meeting in Manchester April 24. Under good of Y.D.V.A. Commander Bechard reported the nominating committee of Y.D.V.A. National officers for 1955 — 56 would meet at Y. D. Club, Boston, Mass., Sunday P. M., April 3.

Commander Bailey, in absence of Dr. Brown, who was in Florida, gave a fine report of progress of Y.D.V.A. National Convention being held in Manchester, N. H., June 10-11-12. He strongly urged that registration be stepped up — that as usual with conventions, they are slow coming in.

Commander Bailey invited all who could come to Manchester Chapter Y.D.V.A. installation of their new officers the 2nd Wednesday in April.

Commander Edwin Bennett, Clarence R. Edwards Chapter, reported Portsmouth, N. H. Chapter going strong. They are to have their installation of 1955-56 officers at Yokens, "Thar She Blows" on Route No. 1, Portsmouth, N. H., April 1. Banquet at 6:30, installation 8 P.M.

P. C. Earl Williams WW I veterans are seeking a National charter.

Commander Morton spoke about a bill in N. H. State Legislature to take away the $1000.00 exemption on real estate of veterans. A motion was made and carried that Department of N. H. Y.D.V.A. go on record and so advise the State Legislature that we will oppose any such legislation.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M. until 4th Sunday in April when State Department will meet again at Manchester, N. H.

After adjournment a grand feed was set up by the Y.D.V.A. General Clarence R. Edwards Chapter Women's Auxiliary in the club room of the Portsmouth Community Center.

Clarence L. Anderson, *Secretary.*

MAJOR CARROLL J. SWAN CHAPTER

Commander: Thomas J. Filion

Secretary: William A. Sobozenski

The baby Chapter of the YD Veterans Association is now the Major Carroll J. Swan Chapter of Newmarket, N. H., which was formed and the officers installed on Sunday, March 6, 1955.

With a continual drive on for membership, it is encouraging that there is still a possibility of not only getting members to pay up, but the fact that new Chapters can be formed. And believe me when I say: —Newmarket has the same spirit to forge ahead as existed thirty-seven years ago.

We of the YDVA salute you, the present and future members of the Major Carroll J. Swan Chapter.

To all members of both the Chapters and Auxiliary: bers are working on an auxiliary. And believe me when I tell you the Newmarket girls are really enthused.

National Commander James F. Meikle presenting Charter to the newly elected Chapter Commander Filion

The following Officers were installed: Commander; Thomas J. Filion (D Co 101st Eng); Senior Vice Commander, Rene Levesque (A Co 103rd Inf); Junior Vice Commander, David Skinner (A Bty 102nd FA); Chaplain, Otis E. Hoyt (A Bty 102nd FA); Sec.-Treasurer, A. Sobozenski (D Co 101st Eng); Sgt.-at-Arms, Edward Dorstie (Co B 103rd Inf); Historian, Joseph Saporite (Co D 101st Engineers).

National Commander James F. Meikle made the trip from Connecticut to attend the installation and presented the Charter to the newly elected Chapter Commander Filion afer a short pep talk on YD.

The following were present: Dept. Commander John Bechard who could not act as installing officer, on account of illness. Past Dept. Commander Clarence did the installing, with Past Dept. Commander Harold "Fancy Pants" Fallon acted as Sgt.-at-Arms.

To all members of both the Chapters and Auxiliary: If at any time you are in Newmarket, N. H., just stop in at "Bills", the best restaurant in town and you will sure have a wonderful feed.

Just say — Hi Bill, I'm YD and he will take over from there.

In closing I do not want to overlook the fact that our National Commander Jim Meikle had been under the weather recently, but the real YD spirit prevailed and he

came all the way from Connecticut accompanied by his charming wife Dorothy.

We of the YD salute you Commander Meikle, for the wonderful work you have done, and never once have you let any Chapter down, whether North, East, South, or West. Not only New Hampshire, but all YD joins with New Hampshire in our salute to you, Jim a great National Commander.

We, of Manchester, N. H., hope to see each and every one who reads the above at the Convention. So, until Convention time or sooner, I am sincerely yours in YD.

—Harold "Fancy Pants" Fallon.

MANCHESTER CHAPTER

Commander: Walter E. Moulton
144 Blodget Street, Manchester, N. H.

Secretary: Archie J. Vigneault
11 West Appleton St., Manchester, N. H.

Hope your health is much better ow, you will need to be in fine fettle to enjoy the many activities we are planning for the Convention.

I am enclosing a list of officers for the coming year. They were installed by State Dept. Officers at our regular April meeting on the 13th. Because of our Convention Activities NO BIG APRIL PARTY THIS YEAR.

Commander, Walter E. Moulton, 144 Blodgett St., Manchester; Senior Vice Cmdr., John J. Loxton, Pulpit Rock Rd., Bedford; Junior Vice Cmdr., Thomas J. Quirk, 395 Hanover St., Manchester; Secretary, Archie J. Vigneault, 11 W. Appleton St., Manchester; Treasurer, John E. Blidberg, 78 Mitchell St., Manchester; Chaplain, Myron C. Goodhue, 49 N. Mast St., Goffstown; Sgt.-at-Arms, Arthur A. Blood, R. F. D. 1, Grasmere; Historian, Dr. Chester P. Brown, 747 Hanover St., Manchester; Trustee, 3 years, Charles Bailey, Lane Rd., East Derry.

Archie J. Vigneault, *Secy.*

PORTSMOUTH, N. H.
GENERAL CLARENCE R. EDWARDS CHAPTER

Commander: Walter Gadd
6 Prospect Street, Exeter, N. H.

Secretary: James W. Locke
Box 614, South Berwick, Me.

Our chapter, despite absence of write-ups in Yankee Doings, has been going merrily on its way in manners becoming and typical of the old Y. D.

The winter months have taken their toll on our attendance, but now with wooded roads clearing, most of our membership are gradually emerging from their seasonal involuntary hibernations and turning out in goodly numbers for monthly meetings and the usual "yak yak" afterward. Our "femmes auxiliaire" who meet the same night, set up mess, family style, after meetings and we really have a night of it with games, etc.

With due respect to "seasons", and mayhap sans regarde thereof, partridge, venison, squirrel pie and what not, have a peculiar way of showing up on the tables. Fish and clams we scorn — lobster is our dish.

We are proud of our contributions in keeping Y. D. alive in spirit, fact and accomplishment. We modestly admit to periodic setting up of beano games at the local Naval Hospital and visitations to Manchester V. A. Hospital — and these despite the fact we are the "poor church mice" of allied veterans organizations. We are proud, too, that we have furnished two Dept. of N. H. commanders from our ranks one of whom is "Mr. Y. D." himself, Clarence Anderson who is up for National Commander, come convention time.

Oh yes, Ed Bennett, C Battery 101st F. A. finally found time from his D.A.V. Service Officer work to do his trick of commander. He's out now and Walter Gadd of 104th is in.

James Locke, *Secretary.*

DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT

Commander: George Riickerl, 87 Grove St., Stamford, Conn.

Secretary: Clyde Beckwith, 291 Highland St., Manchester, Conn.

STATE MEETING

Meeting opened at 3:45 P.M. by Commander Lindgren. The chair recognized NC Jim Meikle, PNC Ed Miller, National Sgt-at-Arms Howard Titus, General Novey, and PDCs Thompson, Geer, Beckwith, Marcus, Woodcock and Caravatt.

Roll call: 8 officers present and 11 chapters represented; membership 616. Illness reported: John Goss at Rocky Hill, Walter Bolan recuperating in Florida; Sturgeon, Newsome and Richardson at home.

Secretary's minutes of last meeting read and approved. Bill $5.25 voted paid. Certificate of appreciation from Rocky Hill Vets Hospital for cigarette distribution in February read and placed on file.

Legislative committee (Titus and Livolsi) report bill 634 to be superseded by bill 1010 regarding Veterans Day (Armistice Day) as a holiday, to come up at 2 PM on March 15. The bill for changing Vets Hospital at Newington to a neuro psychiatric has been withdrawn by Patterson because of uncertain support. The VFW wants to leave it as is. The A. L. is willing to favor the change rather than lose it, if hospital is declared surplus. Sam Marcus reports some vets now in non-veteran hospitals such as Newtown, others in Montrose and Long Island, N. Y., as well as Northampton, Mass. Livolsi reports contacts with various vets organizations in Fairfield County, which seem to favor use of Newington Hospital as NS.

On motion by Marcus it was voted that this Department go on record as favoring NS facility at Newington.

Elections: The slate of officers as prepared and presented in February minutes was read by the secretary. Contests developed only for the offices of JVC, historian and chaplain. In all other cases the nominating selections were approved. Of 69 votes for JVC, Bauer received 52. Here are your officers for the year 1955-56:

Commander, George Riickerl (Stamford); Senior Vice Commander, Erman Cavagnero (Torrington); Junior Vice Commander, Fred Bauer (Unionville - Mont Sec Chapter, Bristol); Treasurer, Sam Marcus (Bridgeport); Secretary, C. G. Beckwith, appointed by incoming Commander; Historian, Nap White (Hartford); Chaplain, Albert Lindgren (New Haven); Service Officer, John Carter (Hartford); Americanization Officer, Erick Erickson (Bridgeport); Judge Advocate, Roy Woodcock (Waterbury); Legislative Officer, Howard Titus (Hartford); Sgt-at-Arms to be appointed by incoming Commander; Tellers were Ed Miller, Jim Meikle, Gen. Novey.

New Business: On motion by Jim Meikle it was voted to send Howard Titus as Connecticut Department member of National Nominating Committee, expenses to be paid by Connecticut Department, uninstructed except to see that Connecticut have at least one member-at-large on National Executive Committee. This meeting is at Worcester, Sunday, March 20.

On motion by Sam Tubin it was voted that a wreath be purchased in Hartford, to be paid for by Connecticut Department, to be placed by Connecticut Commander at General Edwards' statue on Memorial Day.

Good of YDVA: On motion by Pimpare it was voted that we still call each other comrade regardless of what the Russians call each other. Livolsi reports visiting Harry Bissell at Sea Colony, Pompano Beach, Florida. Harry gave him a royal welcome and hopes other members will visit.

Henry Woods of Norwalk announced the promotion of PNC Al Herman to the post of Chaplain of Norwalk Police Plans are made to give Al a testimonial dinner on Saturday April 30. The Department Secretary will forward to chapters further details as to time, place and price.

Suggestion was made that members bring in cards for sick members. It would save the Department some cash. Commander Lindgren said we'll try it. Gen. Novey is glad the Department saw fit to elect a WW II member from Torrington as SVC. Let's give him all the support we can.

PNC Ed Miller reminded us that PNC Al Herman not only was a decorated war hero and one of the builders of our YDVA, but started out in this country as an immigrant who could not speak English. He certainly has earned his promotion in Norwalk. He came up the hard way.

NC Jim Meikle glad to see such a big turnout and hopes we can all go to the National Convention at Manchester, N. H., June 10-11-12. Registration blanks are now going out to chapters. Send them in early. You can clip out and mail the form in your Yankee Doings ($3.50 for YD men, $2.50 for ladies.) We had a fine time there in 1941. Plans include fireworks and entertainment on Thursday evening, the Ball Friday evening and regimental night on Saturday HDQ will be at the Carpenter Hotel. There are motels and other accommodations. Costs are reasonable.

At the National Executive meeting your NC was glad to have the backing of PNCs Ed Miller, Ben Bourne, Ralph Turgeon, Mike O'Connor, Al Herman.

Your National organization reports a new chapter at Newmarket, N. H. Fred Bauer announced 35 prizes and plenty to eat.

YD News: Bristol's Seicheprey dinner will be held April 23, Elks Club.

NEXT STATE MEETING, APRIL 17, VFW HALL, Stratford Ave., Bridgeport. The newly elected Department officers will be installed at that time.

Clyde Beckwith, *Conn. Dept. Sec.*

BRIDGEPORT

Commander: William O'Niell, Jr.
19 Woodside Terrace, Milford, Conn.

Secretary: Samuel B. Zolo
1928 Seaview Avenue, Bridgeport, Conn.

This week our Chapter will with the coming of Spring come to life, and will hold a meeting to arrange for the coming meeting of the State Committee, Sunday, April 17 where the comrades from all over the State will get together to discuss matters of importance and meet up with some old time friends.

And as always those who arrange things for the post meetings will outdo themselves this time and will make a meeting to be remembered by those that will be there.

National and State Officers will be present. So all should try and be there and also at all State meetings, to keep the YD alive.

—Samuel B. Zolo.

HARTFORD CHAPTER

Commander: Arthur J. Evans
95 Jordan Lane, Wethersfield, Conn.

Secretary: Carroll B. Case
23 Harvard St., Hartford 10, Conn.

Thirty-seven years after our entrance into the front lines in France, February 6, 1918, Hartford Chapter gathered in their club rooms on White street to celebrate this occasion on Saturday, February 5th, as has been the custom since the beginning of the Chapter. Each year it is looked upon as the one time of the year when the old gang gets together. It is at this dinner we meet many of the comrades we only see at this time.

This year the party was arranged by a committee consisting of Edgar F. Miller, Howard W. Titus, Arthur J. Evans, Samuel Tubin, William J. Scanlon, Paul J. Caravatt, Harold W. Ellingwood, John R. Edwards, Leonard H. Fletcher, Harry T. Robertson, Benjamin A. Bourn and Carroll B. Case as general chairman. A roast beef dinner was served by Joseph Tremblay, caterer, proceded by a cocktail hour, and followed by a speaking program at

which time we heard from three of our past National Commanders who were present as Edgar F. Miller, Albert Herman and Benjamin A. Bourn. Our National Commander James B. K. Meikle and his Sergeant-at-Arms, our good member, Howard W. Titus gave us the story on general conditions of the YD and of the coming convention in Manchester early this summer.

Judge Vine R. Parmelee was again this year our toastmaster and carried on in his usual fine style. The program concluded with a fine variety of entertainment.

Each year the number of comrades attending grows less, but the enthusiasm has not lessened as voiced by those present. Besides those named on the committee and our guests, the following were among the party: John C. Carter, William T. Barber, Col. Henry A. Beebe, Capt. Samuel C. Pickett, Frederick (Moose) Miller, General Joseph P. Nolan, Louis J. Chevallier, Hon. Dennis P. O'Connor, Sigmant Buczinski, Charles E. Carey, Charles D. Perry, Francis W. Pinches, Archie Petrie, Albert Rossing, Stuart R. Spear, William L. Sullivan, Ray H. Stolzenbach, Anton Bobinski, Louis Anselmo, Charles E. Brennan, Mathew J. Coughlin, Richard H. Conner, William J. Doyle, Joseph P. Foley, Adam Karpan, Frank A. DeBellis, Albert Curtis, William J. Couch, Joseph Vibert, John J. Goss, Rocco J. Francoline, Timothy F. Kelly, James D. Lahey, George J. McAvoy, Edward J. O'Meara, Edward Packtor, George J. McGinn, Gilbert Walker, William Williamson, George D. Sperry, Napoleon White, Thomas H. O'Connor, Howard (Chubby) Correll, Edward J. Kenefick, Matthew Sataro, William J. Dresser, Howard Merrill, Frank J. Trczinski, Peter A. Trembulak, Floyd E. Dow, Edward Fiddler, Stuart Kibbe, and Harold Ventras and Patrick Mally from New Britain Chapter and Earl Hart from Maryland, and Frank J. Stickney, 2nd Division Association national vice president who was just made an honorary member of this chapter in recognition for his work with us. This I think includes everyone present and also concludes the story.

BRISTOL MONT SEC CHAPTER

Commander: Samuel Strupp
48 Burlington Ave., Bristol, Conn.

Secretary: George C. Graham
22 High St., Bristol, Conn.

Mont Sec Chapter held its regular meeting March 11, 1955 at the Elks Home, 126 South St., Bristol, Conn.

The meeting was called to order by Commander Samuel Strupp at 8:35 P.M. with 19 members present.

We voted to hold our Annual Seicheprey dinner on the evening of April 23, 1955. Bill Thompson, Chairman of the dinner committee, reported that all details for same have been completed. We look forward to a large turnout of members and their wives at this annual affair.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Commander Charles C. Goudreau, 43 Fairview Avenue, Bristol; Senior Vice Commander, Albert Block, 478 Broad St., Forestville, Conn.; Junior Vice Commander, Clyde Brooks, 231 Stafford Avenue, Forestville, Conn.; Secretary, Clyde Beckwith, 219 Highland St., Manchester, Conn.; Treasurer, W. W. Thompson, 79 North St., Bristol, Conn.; Chaplain, Karl Chase, 74 Woodland St., Bristol, Conn.; Historian, Clarence Smith, 50 Mills St., Bristol, Conn.; Clarence is the fellow with a twinkle in his eye, and plenty of good dry humor, livens up our meetings. Sergeant-at-Arms, Lawrence Bates, 28 Maple St., Terryville, Conn. These officers will be installed in May. Under the good of YDVA, National Commander Jim Meikle urged all members to get their registration in for the June Convention to be held in Manchester, N. H. We also voted to back Fred Bauer for Junior Vice Commander of the State Department. The meeting was held in Unionville, March 13, 1955, with Mont Sec Chapter as host Chapter, Fred was elected.

After the meeting was adjourned, the ladies joined us and a fine buffet supper was enjoyed by all present.

This will be my last communication to Yankee Doings as Secretary and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our National Secretary H. Guy Watts, for his prompt answers and help in all matters pertaining to YD for which I have asked help.

National Commander James Meikle has been most helpful at all times.

Well, so long and good luck.

George C. Graham, *Secretary.*

NEW BRITAIN CHAPTER

Commander: Orville S. Ventres
Lower Lane, Berlin, Conn.
Secretary: James W. Post
86 Maple Street, New Britain, Conn.

We would like to have members show up so we could have a good meeting, I can't see why a member cannot spare about 2 or 3 hours a month for the good of the YD and come so we can have a meeting, we don't have enough show up so we can have a meeting, only about 2 or 3 show up and we cannot hold a meeting when only 2 or 3 of the members are working hard to keep the Chapter going and one of them is over 70 years old, and that's yours truly.

I have taken on another job, besides Secretary I have taken over the office of Treasurer, so I have my hands full, and I would sure like to see a big crowd at our meetings, so we could get somewhere with our Chapter. We meet every 2nd Friday at the State Army on Arch St., so come on comrades and have a big turnout at our meetings in the future.

James W. Post, *Secretary.*

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE,

MAY 7, 1955

DEPARTMENT OF THE EAST

Commander: Francis J. Gallagher, 105 Garth Road, Oreland, Penn.
Secretary: Karl G. Ley, Jr., 1017 So. Frazier St., Philadelphia, Penn.

NEW YORK

Commander: Henry Moore
320 East 42nd Street, New York, N. Y.
Secretary: Michael S. Justynowicz
108 North 8th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Through an oversight or neglect, or what have you, the New York Chapter has not been heard from in print for quite some time. It is hoped by this member of the Fourth Estate that regular contributions to Yankee Doings will be henceforth S.O.P.

On Saturday, February 19th, the New York Chapter held its annual Installation Dinner at Rosoff's restaurant. Those that were present, and there were many from out of town, all agreed that New York outdid itself this year. The only gang that was missing was the crowd from Philadelphia. Frank, George, what gives?

The reigns of the local chapter were returned to World War I, in the ever capable hands of Henry Moore. In unanimously electing Henry as Commander for 1955, a long over due honor has been rectified. Henry Moore has been an active member of the New York Chapter for almost as far back as memory can go. Henry has rarely, if ever, missed a local meeting, and with his charming wife, is always a familiar figure at National Conventions. Henry, incidentally is a Past Commander of the American Legion, and at the Installation Dinner, he was awarded with a diamond P.C. pin. New York is in good hands.

Also installed on the 19th, to assist Henry during his year in office, were Wilfred Saxton, Senior Vice Commander; Martin Chambers, Junior Vice Commander; Michael S. Justynowicz, Secretary; Lawrence I. Hammer, Treasurer; Joseph K. Surls, M.D., Service Officer; Robert Daley, Chaplain; Fred Paty, Sergeant-at-Arms; and Edmund C. Polakowski, Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Left to right: Henry Moore, Commander; James Meikle, National Commander; Jack Farquhar, Past Commander; Michael O'Connor, Past National Commander.

The out of towners present at this gala function are too numerous to mention, numbering about 40, led by our National Commander James Meikle, and most recent Past National Commander, Michael O'Connor.

The initial meeting of the new regime of officers took place at the Hotel Woodstock on March 10th, whereupon it was disclosed that for the first time in many years, we kept out of the red ink on the Installation Dinner. Exactly $77.36 profit was realized by the Committee headed by Larry Hammer, and ably assisted by Mike Justymowicz and Jack Farquhar. Next year the same committee will have to be in charge again. After all, we can't let a good combination out of harness.

The March meeting was saddened by the passing of our long time friend and comrade, Paul R. McCampbell. May his Soul Rest in Peace.

The April meeting of the Chapter was held on April 14th, again at the Woodstock, at which 25 members and 15 "better-halfs" were present. A short business meeting was held, after which a surprise lobster dinner was tendered to the Chapter and their guests by Commander Henry Moore and Mrs. Moore. More feasts such as this one is needed. Those Chapter members who missed this get-to-gether, missed something that will go down in the annals of the New York Chapter, as something never to be forgotten. On behalf of the Chapter, Henry, Thanks.

Jack Farquhar was appointed to the Nominating Committee for Nomination of National Officers. A telephone call to the Commander of the Department of the East, Francis Gallagher of Philadelphia, confirmed this appointment.

The next meeting of the Chapter will be held, again at the Woodstock, on May 12th.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence I. Hammer, P.C., *Treas.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE FAR WEST

Commander: Albert J. Shepard, 616 East Carson St., Torrance, Calif.

Reporting lines and by-lines of the Far West. In my report of this issue I want to tell you Comrades a story which is a reality and from where I sit, a catastrophe. Some weeks ago I received a letter from P.N.C. O'Connor, asking me to call on a YD comrade from Hadley, Mass., who was at the Vets Hospital, Long Beach. Thelma and I went to see him and what we saw, made us realize our troubles were little ones, Morris McKelligott, Co. F, 104th Inf., WWI, has had a shock, his right side is paralyzed and he can only move his eyes, his speech is gone also. We visited for quite awhile, I talked to him and wrote notes. His eyes were the only way he had of expressing himself, I talked to his nurse and told her I didn't think I was getting across to him. She said we were as he could hear and understand, but could give no indication he could, I realize we have lots of cases like his and it would be real buddy-like if you boys could find time to drop Morris a card.

Speaking of buddies, I have heard from my closest trench buddy, Wilfred Boudreau. He is in the Vets Hospital in Brockton and sure am looking forward to seeing him. Have exchanged letters and snaps. Said he paid his dues in Boston this year instead of Maine. He is a Waterville boy.

The Chapter here is going along fine, had our meeting last month and it was the biggest yet. Comrade Hogan came in from his police job. Heftye was present, he is thinking of being in Manchester in June. The old timers were there in their best suits of health, Commander Perkins presided. In the future we are to have a dinner at a place close to the hall, before our meeting. Our better halfs invited and it will be a regular go to meeting night. In this way the ladies will get acquainted, they can liven up the chapter, that I know from my past experience, the Auxiliary deserves a lot of credit in helping the chapters out, I haven't the words to express myself to honor them in their good work, go ahead girls we need you.

One more thing we need and that is to put C. L. Anderson in as National Commander, in June, I know, like a lot of you do, he will make a good man for it. A vote for him is a vote for you and YD, so let us get behind him and let him loose in Y.D. At the end of his term you will say, "Well done." He wants to serve you as you should be in Y.D.

Well comrades, we'll sign off from here, visibility 0-0, temperature 92 degrees in downtown LA and 56 degrees in the Citrus Groves.

As ever, yours in YD,

Al Shepard

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Desert Chapter

Commander: Carl W. Johnson
602 W. Roosevelt, Phoenix, Arizona

Secretary: Earl P. Holbrook
1547 West Vernon Ave., Phoenix, Arizona

Am wondering whether or not I should take up any valuable space in "Yankee Doings" as it seems to me that it is getting thinner and thinner. Did not try the last issue for the simple reason I could not think of a thing to write. This Lost Battalion of ours with only 8 members do not create any news. I cannot do a Walter Winchell and report that someone is expecting and to the best of my knowledge we are still latched onto that same gal we started with. No business for Reno.

Pretty soon now we will throw the remaining names in a sombrero and pull out someone to be named our next Commander. Down here every one will have to accept the honor sooner or later whether he likes it or not. Paul Walsh our first Commander is still taking care of the mail at the Phoenix Hospital. Jack (Red) Shea on last report is still Captain of the Guard at San Diego Naval Base. Nobody in Phoenix, that he knows has got married lately so he hasn't been over and it is possible that the Mrs. took the

keys of the new Caddy away from him. Carl Johnson still with the Mountain States Telephone is expecting a welcome change, being located permanently in Phoenix. I'll get to see him more often. Some day I am going to get to Tempe (State College town) and see Charley Kittredge as I promised. Don't have any spare money to deposit so it is rare I get to see Alden Parsons at the 1st National Bank. Same goes for Bert Flemming who dabbles in cotton. Colonel Lorimer Goodwin is too far away in Tucson and I understand he still plays around with his hobby, photography, and watching his daughter become a clever horsewoman. In a way I'm not sorry I haven't any more to check up on as some chapters have.

Sure would like to come back east to the convention but it looks very doubtful at the moment. I guess most of us will recall the swell time we had at the last one in Manchester. I see where good old John Dunlop is still in the picture and he sure will lend a hand to make the convention a swell affair. The last time I was in the town John and I went all over the place looking for an open drug store to get some morphine for Fred Jones when he had the serious kidney attack. As I remember it Dr. Brown was the one who responded to our emergency call for help.

—Earl (Dinny) O'Holbrook.

NATIONAL YD AUXILIARY

President: Florence Tarleton, 17 Highland Ave., Haverhill, Mass.
Secretary: Carrie Rowell, 11 Henry Street, Haverhill, Mass.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSSAGE

Register now for the National Convention for yourself and your man. Manchester is planning a wonderful time for us. The Auxiliary will have business meetings on Friday and Saturday morning, but if everyone is prompt and ready for business we will have plenty of time for fun. Pay your dues and see that the auxiliary sends in the per capita. It would be fine to have this taken care of by the May executive meeting. The more things we take care of early the easier it will be for your officers to do their work and allow time for convention doings.

Have you paid your waist money? Has your auxiliary chairmen compiled their reports for the Hospital, Defense and Service work? How about material for the Historian?

Let's all make a final effort to collect all our dues and bring in some new members. See that your registration for the convention is in. Come early to Manchester and stay until the end.

FLORENCE L. TARLETON,
National President

DEPT. OF MASS. AUXILIARY

President: Mrs. Stella Lavallee
48 River Road, Leeds, Mass.

Secretary: Miss Barbara Packard
726 Bridge Road, Northampton, Mass.

Past Department President Stella Lavallee wishes to thank all her officers and all who helped make her year such a successful and happy one. She wishes to thank her Sgt.-at-Arms, Signe Nute for being such a help to her and for the faithfulness to her office.

NORTHAMPTON YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Mrs. Helen Peltz
111 Pleasant St., Northampton, Mass.

Secretary: Miss Barbara Packard
726 Bridge Road, Northampton, Mass.

Northampton Y. D. Auxiliary officers were installed on Monday evening, March 28, 1955 by State Dept. President, Stella Lavallee, assisted by her Sgt.-at-Arms Signe Nute. The following officers were seated: President, Helen Peltz; Senior Vice, Arianna Bishop; Junior Vice, Stella Lavallee; Secretary, Barbara Packard; Treasurer, Catherine Winninger; Chaplain, Helena Latham; Historian, Hilda Packard; Sgt.-at-Arms, Patricia Lavallee; Trustees, Helena Latham, Florence Clark, Elsie Greenough. We were honored by the presence of our National President, Florence Tarleton of Haverhill.

Following the ceremonies a buffet supper was served.

Barbara Packard, *Secretary.*

HAVERHILL YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Mrs. Zelma Comeau
4 Broad Street, Haverhill, Mass.

Secretary: Mrs. Florence L. Tarleton
19 Highland Avenue, Haverhill, Mass.

Haverhill has started the new year and the old standbys have come thru with their dues. May I remind those who have not paid yet to do so before time for the Convention.

At the present time the rooms at the Dugout are in no condition to use so we are meeting at the members homes and at times use the DAV Hall.

We are schduled to put on the Coffee Hour at the Quigley Memorial Hospital, Sunday, April 24, 1955. We are sorry to report the loss of a Chapter Member, Leo Jolliker, Co. F., 104th Inf., brother of Beatrice Barnett of the Auxiliary.

As this will probably be the last message before the Convention may we renew acquaintances with a large number of you then. I am sure the Convention committee has planned a wonderful time, but to be a real success it needs a large attendance. Give that YD man of yours the necessary push to get him there.

Florence L. Tarleton, *Secretary.*

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE, MAY 7, 1955

WORCESTER YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Florence Gould
61 Paine St., Worcester, Mass.
Secretary: Mary T. Boyd
413 West Main St., Northboro, Mass.

At our March meeting we nominated and elected our slate of officers for our next fiscal year. They are:—

President, Florence Premo; Senior Vice President, Nora Johnson; Junior Vice President, Florence Goodwin; Chaplain, Ruth Contois; Historian, Ann Crowley; Treasurer, Alice Bird; Secretary, Mary Boyd; Sgt.-at-Arms, Myrtis Valentine; Service Officer, Minnie Gilliam; Trustees, Florence Gould, Mary Judge, Bertha Fahey, Eva Leahey.

We will have a joint installation with the Chapter on April 24th at our Club. Sunday, March 13th we were again hosts to the Department at which time they had election of officers. Signe Nute of our Auxiliary was elected President; Florence Gould, Chaplain; and Florence Premo a Trustee for the Department. Signe Nute appointed Florence Goodwin her Secretary and Sue Noponen her Sgt.-at-Arms, so Worcester is well represented in the Department for the coming year. Good luck to all of them.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Boyd, *Secretary.*

DEPT. OF NEW HAMPSHIRE YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Malena Byron
156 Sagamore St., Manchester, N. H.
Secretary: Eva L. Brown
747 Hanover St., Manchester, N. H.

On Sunday, March 27, the YDVA Department of New Hampshire Auxiliary held a regular meeting at the Community Center, Portsmouth, N. H.

Our Senior Vice Mabel Ross would like to receive all reports on hospital work, also return the stockings.

A new member, Mrs. Parker, won the mystery prize.

A Hassock was donated by our President Malena Byron, and also a beautiful sofa pillow made by Ellowean Anderson and was donated by her to the Auxiliary as a Ways & Means project. Both were won by Eva L. Brown.

The nomination and election of officers for the ensuing year is as follows: President, Mabel Ross; Senior Vice, Antoinette Morton; Junior Vice, to be announced; Secretary, Laurie Harmon; Treasurer, Ellowean Anderson; Sgt.-at-Arms, Helen Walsh; Chaplain, Justine Bechard; Historian, Mrs. Parker.

The Secretary cast one ballot.

We have been holding open discussions which have proved very helpful.

I would like to say we have an interesting program for the Auxiliary during the convention.

Come early Thursday and don't miss the wonderful show that our YDVA members have lined up for you; the pre-convention gala entertainment.

Respectfully yours,
Eva L. Brown, *Dept. Secretary.*

MANCHESTER, N. H., YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Eula Loxton
RFD 2, Manchester, N. H.
Secretary: Betty Fallon
97 Prospect St., Manchester, N. H.

At our February meeting a new slate of officers was elected for the coming year: President, Eula Loxton; Senior Vice President, Anna Hoey; Junior Vice President, Lina Goodhue; Secretary, Betty Fallon; Treasurer, Esther Holleran; Chaplain, May Geremonty; Sgt.-at-Arms, Edna Blidberg; Historian, Idella Horton; Trustees, Malena Byron, Edna Blidberg.

The Department President, Malena Byron, has been invited to install our officers in April. Our installation will be a quiet one this year with all extra energy and effort going into convention work.

The March meeting was a lively one, we voted to buy the material for two homemade quilts and Edna Blidberg has been busy putting them together. Chances on them will be available at convention. We also voted to entertain the National Auxiliary at a tea on Friday afternoon of the convention. Most of our plans now are for the convention. Do hope you can all be with us for a real good YD time.

Betty Fallon, *Secretary.*

MAJ. GEN. CLARENCE R. EDWARDS CHAPTER AUXILIARY

President: Gertrude Wood
Palmer Avenue, Kittery, Maine
Secretary: Laurice J. Harmon
116 Whipple Road, Kittery, Maine

The installation of officers was held on March 31st at Yoken's, following a banquet.

This is a list of new officers: President, Gertrude Wood; Senior Vice President, Mabel Ross; Junior Vice President, Bertha Huntress; Treasurer, Clarell Lovejoy; Chaplain, Ellowean Anderson; Secretary and Historian, Laurice J. Harmon; Sgt.-at-Arms, Justine Bechard.

The Auxiliary was installed by Malena Byron of Manchester, State Dept. President, assisted by Justine Bechard.

The committee was Mabel Ross and Laurie Harmon.

A crochet pillow presented by Ellowean Anderson was raffled off and won by Harold Fallon.

Among the guests that were there: Mayor Butler of Portsmouth; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Tarleton of Haverhill, (Florence is our National President); Catharine Reimer, Irene Melville of Boston; Malena Byron, Eva Brown, Betty Fallon and Mrs. Fuller of Manchester.

Miss Edith Paul of the Relief Corps, and she is the oldest Auxiliary member of New Hampshire.

Mrs. Pearl Alvey of the U.S.W.V. Miss Ann O'Keefe of the Business Women's Club. Commander and Mrs. Stetson of the D.A.V. also Mrs. Sara Bates, Mrs. Franklin Butler, Mrs. Nellie Kusky. Mrs. Elliot of the V.F.W. Mrs. Roberland of the American Legion of Portsmouth.

On Sunday, April 3rd, several attended the State Department of Massachusetts installation.

It was wonderful and enjoyed by all.

Laurice Harmon, *Secretary.*

YDVA AUXILIARY OF PHILADELPHIA

President: Jean Ross
108 Ardsley Road, Philadelphia

Secretary: Dorothy Raver
2439 Ardsley Avenue, Glenside, Pa.

Spring is just around the corner, so is election of our officers, and so is the convention in Manchester. It all gives us a lot to think about, and now is the time to put on our thinking caps for a bit of serious thought on the future of our YD — both its National future, as well as our own Chapter's future.

At our last meeting we voted to sponsor a string band to entertain the patients at one of the veterans' hospitals in the Philadelphia area. Plans are still in the formulative stage, however.

Perhaps it's a little early to salute our President, Jean Ross, for her work and patience during the past year, but then it's never really too early — the only danger is of being too late with our praise. Jean had serious problems to face this year. When she accepted the gavel of office, she found our Auxiliary members a bit down-hearted, restless and insecure. But Jean's spirit of optimism, mixed with realism and a whole lot of perseverance accomplished a great deal. Its members like Jean who live up to the motto "YD — Kept It Alive!"

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Raver, *Secretary.*

36th ANNUAL REUNION OF THE 104th INFANTRY VETERANS' ASSOCIATION

The 36th annual reunion will be held in Worcester, Mass., April 29 and 30, 1955. The program is as follows:

Registration from noon to midnight at Hotel Bancroft or YD Club, 839 Main Street, Friday, April 29, and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to ?

Friday, 6:00 P.M. The Executive Council will meet at the YD Club, 839 Main St. Buffet lunch at 6:00 P.M. Beans, fishcakes or meat balls, 99c each. DUTCH TREAT.

Business meeting will follow at 7:00 P.M.

Company dinners will be arranged through Joseph Maynard at the YD Club for Friday night. Open House, anytime during Reunion.

Saturday morning you may sleep and clear your heads, or shop our stores.

Saturday, 2:00 P.M. The annual meeting will take place at the American Legion Post 5 headquarters, Glenwood building, 110 Franklin Street.

Something for the ladies is being arranged while we are at the meeting.

Saturday, 7:00 P.M. Regimental Banquet and entertainment will be held at Putnam & Thurston's Restaurant, 27 Mechanic Street. Bring the ladies.

The price? Only $2.50 each for a broiled chicken dinner, entertainment to follow.

Advance registration will be joyfully received. Hotel rooms will not be available until you register. First come, first served.

Registration is $2.00 at Hotel Bancroft and the YD Club.

Make checks or money orders payable to 104th Infantry Veterans' Association, and mail to 411 Burncoat Street, Worcester 6, Mass.

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As Commander of our Association, I cordially invite all 104th Veterans of World Wars I and II to attend our 36th Annual Reunion at Worcester, Mass., on April 29th and 30th, 1955.

Reunion Chairman Al Richardson of Worcester, Mass. promises the 104th Veterans a good time, and I urge you to attend. He and his Committee are working hard to make this Reunion successful. It is up to all of us to back this Committee by registering early for this event. Let's get together again before it is too late. Don't forget the ladies Reunion Registration Fee — Two Dollars.

Please get your advance registration fee in early and mail direct to the Reunion Committee. By so doing, it will surely help to make our Reunion a success.

VOLUNTARY ANNUAL DUES — ONE DOLLAR

Please send One Dollar to your Adjutant, Lawrence A. Wagner, 201 Oak St., Holyoke, Mass., and he will mail to you a 104th Membership card. Your dollar will aid

your 104th Executive Committee to carry on the work of your Association, which is primarily to make these Reunions possible. If you do not receive your membership card within 10 days after sending in your contribution, please notify the Adjutant, as last year we had over 35 letters lost thru the mails.

YOUR 104th EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

This Council is the backbone of our organization and the means of keeping our Association intact . . . There are four Council meetings annually and members come from near and far to transact important business . . . At this time I want to commend the members for the fine attendance at these meetings held during my year as Commander . . . At the Reunion in Worcester, each Unit of our Association will elect members to the Council for the coming year . . . This is very important and if you think you are the man to represent your Company Unit, so inform your Unit during the Reunion . . . It is a real pleasure to serve on the Council and you will never regret it.

Let's rally to the traditional spirit of the 104th by attending its 36th Annual Reunion. Your buddies who attend this reunion will be assured of a successful get-together if they meet you there. Do not fail them! !

Lawrence H. Field, *Commander*
Lawrence A. Wagner, *Adjutant*

103rd U. S. INFANTRY VETERANS ASSOCIATION REUNION

The Reunion of the 103rd will be held this year during the National Convention of the YD Veterans Association June 9-10-11 and 12, 1955 at Manchester, N. H.

Major 'Bill' Southard has promised to be present with a following of at least 200 from Maine. Frank Bogle is heading a delegation from Boston.

The following is a tentative program of both the YD and the 103rd.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1955

10 A.M.-5 P.M.—Pre-reunion Registration at the Henry J. Sweeney Post No. 2, A.L.

5 P.M.—Present Officers of The Yankee Division and the 103rd U.S. Infantry Veterans Association at City Hall.

8 P.M.—Fireworks Display at the Athletic Field, Cor. Valley & Maple St., Manchester.

FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 1955

10-12 A.M.—Business Meeting at the Henry J. Sweeney Post No. 2, A.L.

10 A.M.-4 P.M.—Registration at the Henry J. Sweeney Post No. 2, A.L.

Registration at the Manchester Post, A.L.

2 P.M.—Inspection of the V.A. Hospital, Smyth Road, Manchester.

2 P.M.—Tea for the Ladies.

8 P.M.—Informal Ball at the Carousal Ball Room, Bedford, N. H.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 1955

10:30 P.M.—Registration at the Henry J. Sweeney Post No. 2, A.L.

Auxiliary Meeting and Election of Officers at the Henry J. Sweeney Post No. 2, A.L.

2 P.M.—Annual Meeting and Election of Officers of the 103rd U. S. Infantry Veterans Association at the Henry J. Sweeney Post No. 2, A.L.

6 P.M.—Annual Banquet at the Ed. McShane's Garden, 628 Hanover St., Manchester.

SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 1955

9-12 A.M.—Church Services of your choice.

1:30 P.M.—Memorial Services at Victory Park, (Cor. Concord & Pine St.,) Manchester.

BATTERY A, 102nd F. A.

Battery A, 102nd F. A. Asso., will hold their annual banquet at DiBurro's Restaurant, Essex St., Haverhill on Saturday, April 30. The ladies are to be guests of the Battery A Veterans.

The Battery A Association officers are: Pres., W. Perry Tarleton; Vice Pres., John McNeive; Sec'y., Paul Sawyer; Treas., Clement T. Waldron; Trustees, the President, Ernest Meteyer, Martin F. Goyette.

Reunion of 26th YD M. P. Company

Reunion of 26th Yankee Division M. P. Company, April 23rd, 1955 at Fresh Pond Grill, Cambridge, Mass. Contact John Ridge AL 4-6724.

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JOHN B. O'DEA, formerly with Co 'B', 101st MP's, WW-I, died at the Soldiers Home Hospital, February 12, 1955. Burial was at Lowell, Mass.

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SAMUEL RETKOFF, formerly with Co 'D', 328th Inf., WW-II, died Feb. 12, 1955 at New York. He was a former member of the N. Y. Chapter.

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JOSEPH P. FLEMING, formerly with Co 'I', 103rd Inf., WW-1, died recently. He was a former member of the Boston Chapter and his home was in Dorchester, Mass.

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HOWARD A. HOPKINS, formerly with 'B' Battery, 103rd F. A., WW-I, died suddenly Feb. 17, 1955. He was Chaplain of the Providence Chapter and 30 Members of the Chapter attended the services.

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CHARLES WALLACE, formerly with Co 'A', 103rd MG Bn., WW-1, died recently at his home in Quonset, R. I., where he was a Captain of the Fire Dept. He was a member of the Pawtucket Chapter.

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CHARLES W. RUSHFORD, formerly with the MG Co., 104th Inf., WW-I, died recently at Springfield, Mass. He was a member of the Springfield Chapter.

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AUGUSTINE H. WEST, formerly with the Band of e 101st Inf., WW-I, died during March at his home in orchester, Mass. He was a former member of the Boston hapter.

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DENNIS MALLOY, formerly with Co 'E', 101st Inf., WW-I, died at Fall River, Mass. recently.

C. DELANO AMES, formerly with Adj. Gen. Dept. of Division Hqrs., WW-I, died at Baltimore, Md. He was a member at large of the YDVA.

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JAMES A. MORRIS, formerly with Battery 'F', 103rd F.A., WW-I, died at the U. S. Vets. Hospital at Leeds, Mass. He was a former member of the Stamford Chapter.

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LISLE C. WEBSTER, formerly with the 101st Sanitary Train, died at the U. S. Vets Hospital at Rutland Heights. He was a former member of the Worcester Chapter.

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JOHN A. CLUNE, formerly with Co 'E', 101st Amm. Train, WW-I, died recently. He was a former member of the Fitchburg Chapter.

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OCTAVE J. PARENTEAU, formerly with 'B' Bty. 103rd F.A., WW-I, died recently. He was a former member of the Providence Chapter.

JOHN CASWELL, formerly with Co 'F', 101st Eng., WW-I, died in Washington, D. C. He was a former member of the Washington Chapter.

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HENRY NORRINGTON, formerly with Co 'D', and MG Co. 101st Inf., WW-I, died at South Windham, Maine recently. He was a former member of the Boston Chapter.

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WILLIAM FLYNN, formerly with Bty 'A', 102nd F.A., WW-I, died Mar. 13, 1955 at Halifax, N. S.

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LEO JOLLIKER, formerly with Co 'F', 104th Inf., WW-I, died March 7, 1955. He was a member of the Haverhill Chapter YDVA.

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ANTHONY A. DRAGO, formerly with Co 'H', 101st Inf., WW-I, died March 19, 1955 at his home in Brookline. He was a member of the YD Club of Boston and the YD Post No. 290 A. L.

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WALTER MATHER, formerly with Co 'K', 102nd Inf., WW-I, died June 9, 1954. He was a former member of the Willimantic Chapter and his home was in South Willington, Conn.

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LEO R. BIBEAU, formerly with 'B', Bty. 102nd F.A., WW-I, died Feb. 20, 1955. He was a member of the Worcester Chapter.

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MALCOLM B. ROSS, formerly with Co 'A', 101st Eng., WW-I, died recently. He was a member of the Springfield Chapter.

JAMES A. KEENE, formerly with Co 'G', 101st Inf., WW-I, died recently. He was a former member of the Springfield Chapter.

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ERNEST McNALLY, formerly with Co 'G', 102nd Inf., WW-I, died recently. He was a former member of the Manchester Conn. Chapter.

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The following Taps were reported at the March meeting of the Connecticut State Dept.

WILLIAM I. BARBER, formerly with Co 'B', 101st MG Bn., WW-I, former member of the New Britain Chapter.

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ERNEST D. MOQUIN, formerly with Co 'D', 102nd Inf., WW-I, former member of the Bristol Chapter.

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WILLIAM THORNTON, formerly with 101st MG Bn., WW-I, former member of Manchester, Conn. Chapter.

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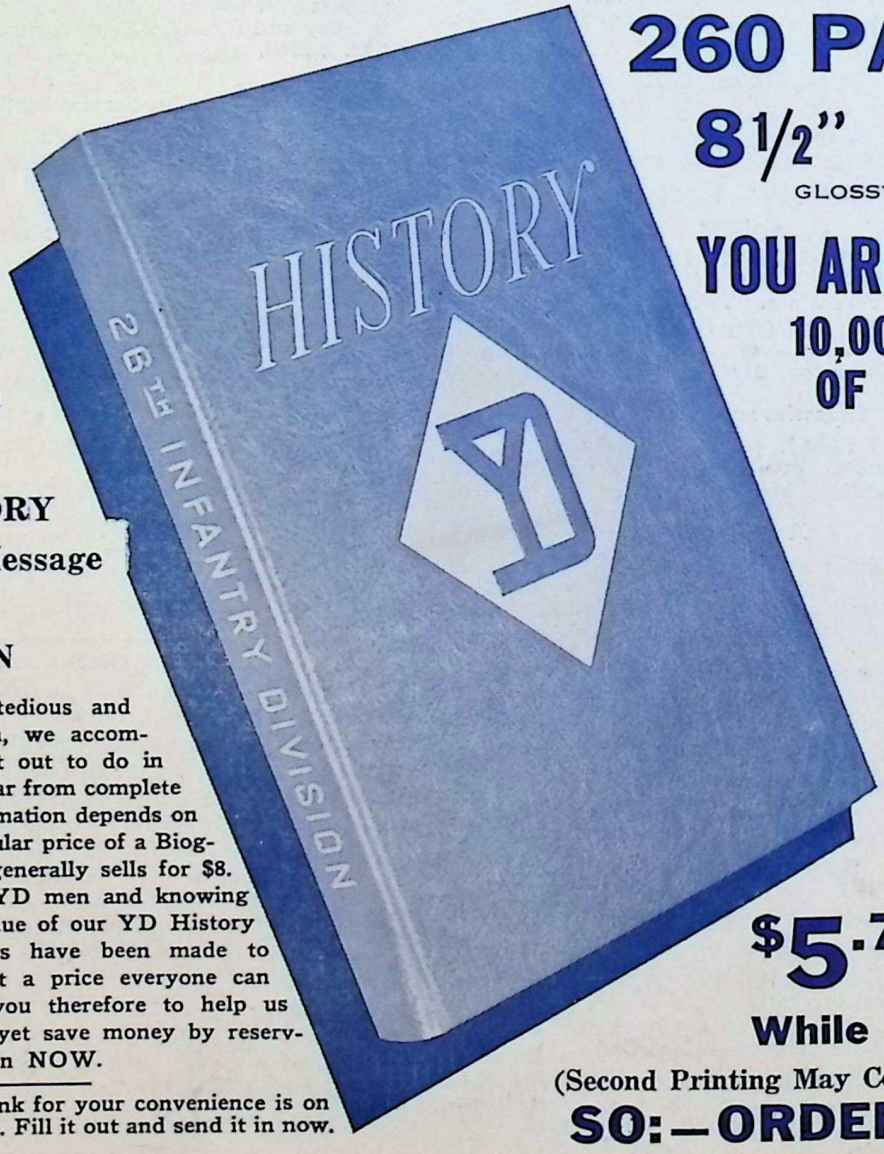

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